

Solid Waste and Recycling
Tuesday, June 27, 2023 @ 9:00 AM
Chambers

MINUTES

9:00 AM Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Cunningham called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Those attending were Solid Waste Committee Chairman J. Cunningham, Solid Waste Committee Members M. Roberts, E.A. Schwartz and M. During, Solid Waste Director A. Miller, County Administrator M. Scimone, Solid Waste Deputy Director G. Gelewski, County Attorney T. Wayland-Smith, Recycling Coordinator K. Welch, Public Information Officer S. Field, Assistant Director of Finance K. Lummis, Clerk to the Board E. Burns, Confidential Secretary to the Board K. Guinto, and County Attorney Intern T. Kane.

Approval of Minutes

- May 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Matt Roberts to approve the May 23, 2023 meeting minutes. Second by Eve Ann Schwartz. The motion was Passed.

Solid Waste and Recycling:

1. Draft RFP Update

A. Miller updated the committee on the schedule for the RFP process. The draft RFP was released in May and the department had a successful site visit. Comments on the draft RFP are due in one month, followed by adjustments to the RFP. Proposals are currently anticipated to be received in late Fall 2023.

2. Outreach Meetings - Draft Presentation

The department is working on setting up community informational sessions in Lincoln, Hamilton, Cazenovia and Sullivan for July. At these sessions, A. Miller will present an overview of operations, budgeting, results of the Cornerstone Engineering Study and the purpose of the draft RFP.

3. Staffing Levels & Contingency Planning

Due to employee concerns about long term job security amidst the RFP process and hiring challenges, the department is committed to reassuring Solid Waste employees of future employment. A resolution was proposed and further discussions will take place at the Government Operations Committee meeting to ease concerns.

4. Comments on NYSDEC's Draft State Solid Waste Management Plan

The deadline for comments on NYSDEC's Draft State Solid Waste

Management Plan is due this week. A. Miller has compiled comments on the plan regarding disposal capacity planning, emerging contaminants and leachate handling. A. Miller asked if the committee would be okay with her submitting the comments on behalf of the Solid Waste Department. The committee provided consensus to move forward.

5. Cell 10 Construction / DEC inspections

Cell 10 construction is on track. DEC has done a few inspections of the site and they have gone extremely well.

Resolutions:

1. Affirming the Commitment of the Board of Supervisors to Job Security for the Department of Solid Waste Employees

Motion by Melissa During to approve the resolution. Second by Eve Ann Schwartz. The motion was Passed.

Preferred Agenda

Other Committee Business

Next Meeting:

1. July 25, 2023 at 9am in the Chambers

Adjourn

Motion by Eve Ann Schwartz to adjourn at 9:28 AM. Second by Melissa During. The motion was Passed.