

Solid Waste and Recycling
Tuesday, October 24, 2023 @ 9:00 AM
Chambers

MINUTES

9:00 AM Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Cunningham called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM. Those attending were Solid Waste Committee Chairman J. Cunningham, Solid Waste Committee Members M. Roberts, E.A. Schwartz, M. During, and T.J. Stokes, Solid Waste Director A. Miller, Solid Waste Deputy Director G. Gelewski, County Chairman J. Becker, County Administrator M. Scimone, County Attorney T. Wayland-Smith, Tetra Tech Sr. Project Manager C. Koehler, Germano & Cahill Attorney M. Cahill, Recycling Coordinator K. Welch, Public Information Officer S. Field, Assistant Director of Finance K. Lummis, Confidential Secretary to the Board K. Guinto and Town of Lenox Supervisor J. Pinard.

Approval of Minutes

- September 26, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Melissa During to approve the September 26, 2023 meeting minutes. Second by Matt Roberts. The motion was Passed.

Solid Waste and Recycling:

1. Updated Cornerstone Financial Model (Presentation via Zoom)

C. Koehler with Tetra Tech (Cornerstone Engineering) provided an updated financial model to show what the 2024 rates would need to be to cover current operation costs and replenishing part of the post-closure fund which was used to build the new cell. This estimated rate provided a breakeven point to meet the \$1.4 million shortfall but does not account for future inflation, upcoming regulation impacts or the proposed state disposal surcharge. The updated financial model clearly shows two courses of action: raising fees of the current tonnage from \$88/ton or accepting more out of county waste (which would require a permit modification) to generate more revenue.
2. Attorney Introduction / Flow Control Discussion / Next steps for 120-W process

Motion by Eve Ann Schwartz to enter into executive session at 9:17 AM for advice of counsel. Second by T.J. Stokes. The motion was Passed.

Motion by Matt Roberts to exit executive session at 10:28 AM. Second by Melissa During. The motion was Passed.
3. Updated Community Engagement / Public Communications Plan

Discussed in executive session.

4. Discussion on 2024 Fees and Agreements

Discussed in executive session.

Resolutions:

1. TABLED AT SEPTEMBER COMMITTEE MEETING:
Establishing a Fee for 2024 Solid Waste Punch Cards for
Residential Solid Waste Disposal in Madison County

The committee decided to keep the punch card rates the same and therefore, the resolution was rescinded.

2. TABLED AT SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING: Establishing
2024 Fees for Participating in Madison County's Solid Waste
Management Program, as Required by Local Law 3 of 2004

After being tabled at the September Board Meeting, the committee discussed and recommended amending the previous resolution to maintain all fees at the 2023 rate except for tires, which would increase to \$250/ton.

3. Authorizing the Chairman to Enter into a Modification and Extension
Agreement with Eggan Excavating and Equipment Co., Inc.

Motion by Matt Roberts to approve the resolution. Second by
Melissa During. The motion was Passed.

Other Committee Business

1. Committee Consensus to Submit NYSDEC MWRR Grant
Application

A. Miller notified the committee of an upcoming grant application
deadline for the NYSDEC MWRR grant. The grant funds part of the
2024 Recycling Coordinator's salary along with a portion of
recycling program expenses. The committee provided consensus to
submit the grant application.

2. Initial Proposal Review & Discussion (Executive Session)

Discussed in executive session.

Next Meetings:

1. Tuesday, November 14, 2023 @ 9am in the Chambers
2. Tuesday, December 12, 2023 @ 9am in the Chambers

Adjourn

Motion by Matt Roberts to adjourn at 10:30 AM. Second by Melissa During.
The motion was Passed.