

Solid Waste and Recycling
Tuesday, March 22, 2022 @ 9:00 AM
Chambers/ Zoom

MINUTES

9:00 AM Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Jim Cunningham called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Those attending were Chairman Jim Cunningham, Solid Waste Committee Members Eve Ann Schwartz, Matt Roberts and Loren Corbin, Solid Waste Director Amy Miller, County Administrator Mark Scimone, County Attorney Tina Wayland-Smith, Hancock Estabrook Partner Michael Balestra, Esq., Solid Waste Deputy Director Gregory Gelewski, Finance Assistant Director Keith Lummis, Public Information Officer Samantha Field, Recycling Coordinator Kristin Welch and Town of Lincoln Supervisor Melissa During.

Approval of Minutes

- February 22, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Matt Roberts to approve the February 22, 2022 Solid Waste & Committee meeting minutes. Second by Eve Ann Schwartz. The motion was Passed.

Solid Waste and Recycling:

1. Executive Session - Contract Discussion with Outside Counsel

Motion by Loren Corbin to enter into executive session at 9:02 AM for contract discussion with outside counsel. Second by Eve Ann Schwartz. The motion was passed.

Motion by Matt Roberts to come out of executive session at 9:51 AM. Second by Loren Corbin. The motion was passed.
2. Cornerstone Engineering Study Update

At the next meeting, Cornerstone Engineering will be presenting a cost analysis of phase 1 of the study to the committee. At that time, there will also be further discussion on the landfill gas analysis.
3. Biosolids - Overview & Discussion

On average, New York landfills get around 7% sludge; the Madison County landfill was at 11.5% in 2021. The majority of Madison County's biosolids came from the City of Oneida and they also take out-of-county biosolids from the City of Oneonta. The committee provided consensus to limit Oneonta to the contractual 1200 tons of biosolids per year.
4. Creating One Full-Time Permanent Principal Account Clerk Position

in the Department of Solid Waste Management

The department has the funds in the current budget to support a new Principal Account Clerk position, which would provide oversight on administrative functions. The committee supports the new position.

Resolutions:

1. Authorizing an Agreement with Riccelli Enterprises, Inc. for Transportation of Biosolids to the Madison County Landfill from the City of Oneonta WWTP

Motion by Matt Roberts to Approve the Agreement with Riccelli Enterprises, Inc. for Transportation of Biosolids to the Madison County Landfill from the City of Oneonta WWTP. Second by Loren Corbin. The motion was Passed.

2. Entering into New Standard Waste Disposal Agreements for the Term 2021-2023 (JK Tobin Construction Co., Inc.)

Motion by Eve Ann Schwartz to Approve JK Tobin Construction Co., Inc. to the Solid Waste Disposal Agreements for the Term 2021-2023. Second by Loren Corbin. The motion was Passed.

3. Authorizing an Agreement with JK Tobin Construction Co., Inc. to Accept Alternative Daily Landfill Cover Material

Motion by Eve Ann Schwartz to Approve the Agreement with JK Tobin Construction Co., Inc. to Accept Alternative Daily Landfill Cover Material. Second by Loren Corbin. The motion was Passed.

Preferred Agenda

It was the consensus of the Committee to allow any eligible resolution from today's meeting to be added to the preferred agenda. All resolutions were voted on and approved by the Committee.

Other Committee Business

Green Empire Farms Crop Turnover

A. Miller has worked with Green Empire during crop changeovers to monitor the permitted daily limit of 375 tons. The department has not been able to go out for a permit modification to accept more waste before the next turnover as it is a larger process. A. Miller has given Green Empire Farms potential options for recycling elsewhere. The Committee considered having a meeting with Green Empire to discuss options.

Next Meeting:

1. April 26, 2022 at 9am

Adjourn

Motion by Loren Corbin to adjourn at 10:28 AM. Second by Jim Cunningham. The motion was Passed.