

Solid Waste and Recycling
Tuesday, August 22, 2023 @ 9:00 AM
Chambers

AGENDA

9:00 AM Call Meeting to Order

Approval of Minutes

- July 25, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Solid Waste and Recycling:

1. RFP Update
2. Draft 2024 Budget Presentation and Discussion

Other Committee Business

Next Meeting:

1. Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 9am in the Chambers

Adjourn

Solid Waste and Recycling
Tuesday, July 25, 2023 @ 9:00 AM
Chambers

MINUTES

9:00 AM Call Meeting to Order

Matt Roberts called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM. Those attending were Solid Waste Committee Members M. Roberts, E.A. Shwartz, M. During and T.J. Stokes, Solid Waste Director A. Miller, County Administrator M. Scimone, Solid Waste Deputy Director G. Gelewski, County Attorney T. Wayland-Smith, County Treasurer C. Edick, 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, Town of Lenox Supervisor J. Pinard and County Attorney Intern T. Kane.

Approval of Minutes

- June 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Melissa During to approve the June 27, 2023 meeting minutes. Second by Eve Ann Shwartz. The motion was Passed.

Solid Waste and Recycling:

1. Update on Outreach Meetings

The County is currently halfway through hosting informational sessions on the Long Term Planning process. They are going well with about a dozen people in attendance at each session. Questions will be compiled after the sessions are completed. The committee also discussed the stakeholder group relating to who would be included in the group and when that group will be formed. The committee agreed the timing of the group would be for later on.

2. Update on RFP Process

Comments on the draft RFP are due soon and then the RFP will get revised based on the submitted comments. The committee discussed the timeframe of putting out the final RFP, which is anticipated in late August 2023.

3. Alternatives Analysis - Updating Financial Model

A. Miller updated the committee on the remaining funds for the Cornerstone agreement. She anticipates asking Cornerstone to update the department's numbers so that when the proposals come in, the County can compare options with the most relevant and up to date information. The committee agreed with reaching out to them.

4. Potential Public-Private Partnership - Development of a Draft Agreement

A. Miller would like outside counsel to develop a draft agreement for the RFP so that the County has a template to work off of. The committee provided consensus to get that drafted.

5. Discussion on 2024 Budget Objectives

The 2024 budget will be discussed at next month's committee meeting and will cover proposed tipping fees for next year. Current tipping fees are not funding capital equipment or long term liability costs and need to be taken into consideration for future rates.

In addition, current biosolid rates are below industry rates and are difficult to manage. A. Miller recommended increasing biosolid costs.

6. Post 2023 Hauler/Biosolids/Soil Agreements - Discussion regarding term

Traditionally, these agreements are done every 2-3 years. With the Long Term Planning process, the committee discussed what the new terms should be. A. Miller mentioned these are a large lift to do annually. T. Wayland-Smith recommended reaching out to outside counsel.

Other Committee Business

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Adjourn

Motion by Melissa During to adjourn at 9:42 AM. Second by Eve Ann Schwartz. The motion was Passed.