

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

AGENDA

9:00 AM Call Meeting to Order

Approval of Minutes

- May 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Solid Waste and Recycling:

1. Draft RFP Update
2. Outreach Meetings - Draft Presentation
3. Staffing Levels & Contingency Planning
4. Comments on NYSDEC's Draft State Solid Waste Management Plan
5. Cell 10 Construction / DEC inspections

Resolutions:

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

Preferred Agenda

Other Committee Business

Next Meeting:

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

Adjourn

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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, Recycling Coordinator K. Welch, Public Information Officer S. Field, Assistant Director of Finance K. Lummis, Clerk to the Board E. Burns, County Attorney Intern T. Kane and Town of Lenox Supervisor J. Pinard.

Approval of Minutes

- April 25, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Matt Roberts to approve the April 25, 2023 meeting minutes. Second by Melissa During. The motion was Passed.

Solid Waste and Recycling:

1. Draft RFP Release Date: May 24, 2023

The draft Request for Proposals to Lease & operate Solid Waste Facilities is ready to go and will open May 24, 2023.

2. Outreach Efforts for Draft RFP / Next Steps

S. Field presented a public communications plan for the release of the draft RFP. S. Field and K. Welch have updated the FAQ page for the website and handouts for the transfer stations, along with a press release. A. Miller will work with them to set up public informational sessions explaining why the department is pursuing this option.

3. Regulatory Updates

A. Miller provided a brief overview of upcoming regulatory changes relating to leachate management and biosolids. In addition, the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation has requested public comments on their NYS Solid Waste Management Plan. These regulatory updates will have significant impacts on how landfills are run.

Other Business:

The recent DEC inspection went well with cover on the landfill and

litter management. Cell 10 construction continues. Storm water plans are being updated with the new regulations.

Next Meeting:

1. June 27, 2023 at 9am in the Chambers

Adjourn

Motion by Melissa During to adjourn at 9:21 AM. Second by Eve Ann Shwartz.
The motion was Passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-_____

**AFFIRMING THE COMMITMENT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO JOB
SECURITY FOR DEPARTMENT OF SOLID WASTE EMPLOYEES**

WHEREAS, Madison County is currently exploring alternative ways to manage the waste stream in the community in efforts to avoid significant increases to waste disposal fees; and

WHEREAS, one of the alternative methods being evaluated is for the County to engage an outside organization in a partnership, leading to the lease and operation of the Madison County Landfill by a third party ; and

WHEREAS, the evaluation process is still exploratory; and

WHEREAS; understandably, employees of the Department of Solid Waste have communicated concerns about their future during this period of uncertainty; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors values all Madison County employees and seeks to provide them with support and job security; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby affirms that all employees of the Madison County Department of Solid Waste will be offered the opportunity to work in another County department if the Board of Supervisors choose to partner with an outside organization to operate the Madison County Landfill.

Dated: July 11, 2023

James J. Cunningham, Chairman
Solid Waste and Recycling Committee

Paul H. Walrod, Chairman
Government Operations Committee