

SOLID WASTE AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE
MCCARTY, LAPIN, FARWELL, KENNEDY, BROCKWAY
FEBRUARY 16, 2021
9:00 a.m.

Under the current COVID-19 emergency/Executive orders, this committee meeting was not physically open to the public at the County Office Building. The meeting was streamed via facebookLIVE.

Members: Representative McCarty - present, in Board Chambers
Representative Lapin - absent
Representative Farwell - present, via Zoom
Representative Kennedy - present, via Zoom
Representative Brockway - present, via Zoom

Also present via Zoom: Allen Ruffles, Treasurer and Lonnie O'Bryan from Casella's

SOLID WASTE - ERIK SCRIVENER and SHANE DIGAN

Erik Scrivener requested approval to accept the minutes of the January 19th, 2021 meeting as written. Representative Farwell moved for approval. Seconded, Kennedy. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 2,059; Absent- 348 Lapin. Motion carried.

Erik Scrivener presented Part 1 of the Short EAF for the proposed local law under the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Act. SWECC as Lead Agency reviewed Parts 2 and 3 and issued a negative declaration. Representative Brockway moved for approval. Seconded, Kennedy. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 2,059; Absent- 348 Lapin. Motion carried.

Erik Scrivener and Shane Digan presented, explained and discussed edits/changes made to the Source Separation and Recycling Law that were previously discussed at the prior meeting. After further discussion, more edits/changes were made.

Representative Lapin joined the meeting via Zoom during the above discussion.

Shane Digan presented, explained and discussed the hauler license application. Lonnie O'Bryan recommended reviewing the NYS Recycling Law 3.1.4 and 3.3. Mr. Digan presented, explained and discussed the Multifamily Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling Plan.

Shane Digan presented and explained the Waste-Smart business certification. Shane Digan requested approval of the Waste-Smart business

certification. Representative McCarty moved for approval. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 2,407. Motion carried.

Erik Scrivener requested approval on the Brand Builders compost bin sale. Shane Digan explained the proposal and terms. Representative Kennedy moved for approval. Seconded, Brockway. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 2,407. Motion carried.

Shane Digan gave the following recycling and MSW reports for January 2021:

- MSW (trash) - 2,276 tons/down from same month last year
- Single Stream Recycling – 305 tons/down from same month last year/\$141.11 per ton
- 123 mattresses
- Metal – collected 5.44 tons
- Electronics – Collected \$816 from \$12 fee - **NEW** Vendor 3.67 tons on 2/15 and 3.18 tons on 2/16 and returning March 1st and 2nd
- Cardboard – 3 tons total/\$73.82 per ton
- Glass – n/a
- Food waste - .2 tons/\$375 per ton

SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT (SWCD) – JORDAN CLEMENTS via Zoom

Jordan Clements gave the updates but not limited to the following:

- Submitted all end of year reports before deadline
- Tree program – orders due in by April 1st, pick up Friday, April 23rd, 7am-5pm and Saturday, April 24th, 8am-12pm
- Enviro-thon program will all be online this year, 5 schools to participate
- Getting ready for field season

SOLID WASTE CON'T - ERIK SCRIVENER via Zoom

Erik Scrivener stated that regarding the OCCA Earth Festival, Jeff O'Handley went to the Public Works Committee and received approval for the Earth Festival to be at the Meadows.

Shane Digan discussed Discover Books, 5 bins at the Oneonta Transfer Station and 3 bins at Northern. These bins collect hard and soft covered books that are to be resold, repurposed or recycled. Mr. Digan said there is no cost to the county and pick up is on demand.

OTHER

Erik Scrivener mentioned the email received from Representative Marietta about updating the strategic plan for the county; Mr. Scrivener plans on having the update completed for March.

Allen Ruffles mentioned and discussed a letter received from the Schoharie County Board pertaining to MOSA. Mr. Ruffles stated that the MOSA account has just over \$5,000 and \$17,000 out in accounts receivables that we have been unable to collect. Schoharie County wants to move forward in collecting the \$17,000 and wants the status of the subdivision of the properties at the western landfill and western transfer station. After further discussion, the guidance was to get the subdivide in and that it is not cost effective to go after the \$17,000.

There being no further business to discuss, Representative Kennedy motioned to adjourn. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 2,407. Motion carried.