

SOLID WASTE AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE
MCCARTY, LAPIN, FARWELL, KENNEDY, BROCKWAY
June 22, 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
Representative Lapin – present, via Zoom
Representative Farwell - absent
Representative Kennedy – present, via Zoom
Representative Brockway - present, via Zoom

Also present via Zoom: Allen Ruffles, County Treasurer; Penney Gentile, Personnel Officer and Lonnie O'Bryan from Casella's

SOLID WASTE – ERIK SCRIVENER and SHANE DIGAN via Zoom

Shane Digan requested approval to accept the minutes of the May 18th, 2021 meeting as written. Representative Brockway moved for approval. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 1,904; Absent: 503- Farwell. Motion carried.

Shane Digan requested approval to submit a Consolidated Funding Application as part of the Tri-County Leachate Management Project with Montgomery and Schoharie counties; \$200,000 maximum award per participating county; 10% cash match required. Representative Kennedy moved for approval. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 1,904; Absent: 503- Farwell. Motion carried.

Erik Scrivener requested approval for the following budget transfer:

\$1,750 from A8160-510000 (Personal Service) to A8160-545000 (Materials and Supplies)

Representative Brockway moved for approval. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 1,904; Absent: 503- Farwell. Motion carried.

Erik Scrivener requested approval to award and reimburse property owners for septic projects that meet grant requirements. Representative Kennedy moved for approval. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 1,904; Absent: 503- Farwell. Motion carried.

Erik Scrivener requested approval of the Household Hazardous Waste advertising schedule at a cost not to exceed \$3,000. Representative Kennedy moved for approval. Seconded, Brockway. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 1,904; Absent: 503- Farwell. Motion carried.

Erik Scrivener requested approval of closure of the Northern and Southern Transfer Stations on July 5th due to the July 4th holiday. Representative Lapin moved for approval. Seconded, Kennedy. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 1,904; Absent: 503- Farwell. Motion carried.

Erik Scrivener left the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

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

- MSW (trash) – 3,299.62 tons/up 60 tons from last year
- Single Stream Recycling – 328.89 tons/up almost 41 tons from same month last year/\$92.95 per ton – lowest in a long time
- 353 mattresses
- 12 tons of metal
- Electronics – pending invoice; revenue \$2,040.00
- Cardboard – 2.96 tons at \$50.68 per ton
- Glass – n/a
- Food waste – n/a

There was a brief discussion about returnable cans and bottles at the northern and southern stations. Rolling Redemption will give the county \$.05/can and/or donate to any organization the county specifies but the issue is that containers are needed. There is the possibility that the Boy Scouts could build them but the county would have to provide the materials or the possibly of Building Services.

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

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

- Working with Ag and Markets in extending projects due to farmer's not having the money to make up the difference of the increasing prices of materials
- Doing the Chesapeake Bay modeling reporting, the TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) was enforced on us by the EPA because we live within the Chesapeake Bay to reduce certain pollutants such as nitrogen, phosphorous and sediment; the TMDL is designed to ensure

that all pollution control measures needed to fully restore the Bay and its tidal rivers are in place by 2025

- Applying for grants
- Forestry sales; 2 large sales coming up
- Continue to work on land dispute about a property line
- 2 interns from SUNY Cobleskill doing buffer maintenance and up keep

There was a further discussion including but not limited to the scheduled forestry sale last winter that didn't happen because of a boundary issue, a plan to replant, agriculture grants, streambank restoration and buffering, the TMDL, progress on the \$98,000 the county is owed, the audit on the closeout with NYS Ag and Markets, the repayment of the overpayment, CFAs and SAMs program.

SOLID WASTE CON'T – ERIK SCRIVENER

Erik Scrivener gave updated the committee on the Delaware County site visit, Thursday, July 8th or Wednesday, July 14th works best for Delaware County; the committee agreed on Thursday, July 8th at 10:00 a.m.

Erik Scrivener informed the committee of a Zoom meeting on June 23rd at 2:00 p.m. to discuss the Tri-County Leachate Project (MOSA) for CFA application and if any committee members wanted to join the discussion let him know.

Erik Scrivener gave a brief update on the NTS (Northern Transfer Station) improvements mentioning that all bids were rejected as they wanted more information on the electrical work that needs to be done, they have received updated information on the electrical requirements and are working with Onondaga to reopen the bid.

Erik Scrivener requested approval of a department credit card as discussed with Treasurer Ruffles. Representative Brockway moved for approval. Seconded, Kennedy. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 1,904; Absent: 503- Farwell. Motion carried.

Erik Scrivener mentioned that he is working on developing the budget and plans to present the preliminary budget to the treasurer by the end of the month.

NEW BUSINESS

Shane Digan mentioned offering Source Separation Law general information sessions/webinars to promote the new law. There is a dedicated page on the website.

There being no further business to discuss, Representative Kennedy motioned to adjourn. Seconded, Lapin. Total: 2,407. Ayes: 1,904; Absent: 503- Farwell. Motion carried.