

SOLID WASTE & ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE
McCARTY, KENNEDY, KOUTNIK, LAPIN, FARWELL
July 17, 2018

Also Present: Board Chair Bliss

PLANNING/SOLID WASTE –KAREN SULLIVAN/TAMMIE HARRIS

Karen Sullivan discussed the consolidation of five Ag Districts into one.

Tammie Harris presented a PowerPoint slide presentation on the Otsego County Ag District Consolidation Adds and Removals noting that 47 parcels or 2,061.44 acres were added and 64 parcels or 1,749.37 acres were removed.

Representative Lapin entered during the above discussion.

Karen Sullivan stated that open enrollment will take place in January, however a review will take place once every 8 years.

Representative Kennedy moved for approval for continuation of District 1 with modifications that further the Agricultural District Consolidation Plan by including Parcels from Districts 2, 3, 4 and 8 into District 1. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,201; Ayes: 2,201. Motion carried.

Karen Sullivan explained what it means to be included in an Ag District.

SOIL & WATER DISTRICT –JORDAN CLEMENTS

Jordan Clements, District Manager gave program updates of Soil and Water including, but not limited to the following:

- Project bid showings underway with 4th one complete
- Several projects in the works including leachate collection system in Morris, covered barnyard in Edmeston and grazing project
- Received funding in the amount of \$27,000 from Assemblyman Miller for various projects
- Visited 20 towns and villages regarding the Stream Project with approximately 15 more to go—reviewed the responses received thus far and hopes to have a clear view of what the Stream Project will look like by October
- Planted nearly 35 acres worth of buffers
- John W. Chase Memorial forest management plan emailed to members—the second forest management plan completed
- Dozen Dads harvesting of select timber bid proposal, bids accepted until July 24th, concerned that loggers will not find the process to be user friendly
- Tour of forest parcels scheduled for Saturday, August 18th
- Farm tour scheduled for Friday, October 12th
- Working on writing WQIP and Ag Non-Point Source grants

- Highway Dept assisted in compost clean up

Jordan Clements stated he will contact the Treasurer regarding his budget for 2019 to be discussed further at the next SWEC meeting.

Karen Sullivan asked that Jordan Clements keep her apprised of culvert replacements as that information needs to be included in the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

PLANNING/SOLID WASTE –KAREN SULLIVAN (cont.)

Karen Sullivan presented and reviewed the following reports:

-Solid Waste Totals 2016-2018—3638.04 tons of solid waste collected in June, credit from Casella in the amount of \$8,864.12, the total cost for the year thus far is \$18,481.32

-2018 E-Waste Totals—total amount invoiced year to date \$14,316.11 (includes CRTs/TVs, broken items charge, CCEs, Non-CCEs and batteries)

-Mattress Recycling Stats—2 pick-ups in June, 232 mattresses shipped, the program continues to pay for itself

-Recycling Costs for Otsego County—447.03 tons collected in June, an average of \$104.98/ton which includes the revenue collected from recycling charge to commercial haulers

Karen Sullivan discussed outstanding invoices from Sierra for recycling. Lonnie O'Bryan stated that Casella will pay Sierra and add it to the invoice to Otsego County.

The committee and those present discussed how to raise public awareness regarding the collection of cleaner material including the use of grading sheets and stickers.

Karen Sullivan stated she received two quotes for repairs to the wall at the OTS. Representative Lapin moved for approval to accept the low bid from Bordinger Welding in the amount of \$4,000. Seconded, Kennedy. Total: 2,201; Ayes: 2,201. Motion carried.

Leslie Orzetti of the OCCA requested a letter of Endorsement from the County to support the OCCA's consolidated funding application for trail building and improvement. Representative Koutnik moved for approval. Seconded, Kennedy. Total: 2,201; Ayes: 1,853; Abstain: 348- Lapin. Motion carried.

Karen Sullivan gave the following updates:

- HMGP survey is on the website, deadline in November

- Ag. Implementation Committee met July 11th
- Funding possibility for Styrofoam diffuser through Foam Recycling Coalition due July 31st—The committee discussed cold v. hot processing
- Transfer station containers for book collection have been removed

Karen Sullivan presented a drafted RFP for Solid Waste and Recycling Management for the committee to review and discuss and asked that all comments be received by the end of the month.

There being no further business to discuss, the committee adjourned until Monday, August 20th at 9:00 a.m. at the Meadows Building.