



**Solid Waste and Recycling Committee Meeting
June 25, 2019 – Supervisors Conference Room,
County Office Building**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman James Goldstein at 9:12 am.

Those attending were Chairman James Goldstein, Solid Waste Committee Members, Eve Ann Shwartz, Richard Bargabos, Mary Cavanagh and Solid Waste Director Amy Miller. Others present were County Attorney Tina Wayland-Smith; County Administrator Mark Scimone; Public Information Officer Samantha Field; and Solid Waste Office Assistant Sarah Gaudin.

Approve Minutes

Motion by E. Shwartz to approve the May 28, 2019 Solid Waste & Recycling Committee meeting minutes as presented, seconded by J. Goldstein and carried.

Shredding/Textile Collection Event

A. Miller reported that nearly three tons of paper from about 175 households was shredded at the June 8th Shredding and Textile Collection Event held at the Buyea Road Transfer Station. Approximately 45% found out about the event in the newspaper, 35% saw it on Facebook, and some folks just attend every year. For the fall event, hours will likely be 8 to 11 am.

Plastics-to-Energy RFP

A. Miller reported that she reviewed the proposals for the Plastics-to-Energy RFP. Gen2, LLC and Synstainable Energy Systems (SUNY Cobleskill) sent comprehensive proposals. A. Miller summarized the proposals for the Committee. The next step will be for A. Miller to follow up with questions to Gen2 and Synstainable Energy Systems.

HP Hood Request Letter

A. Miller reported to the committee that she met with the HP Hood Oneida Plant Manager regarding their request to send their waste to a waste-to-energy facility. HP Hood has corporate sustainability goals for zero waste-to-landfill. A. Miller advised that HP Hood would still be required to pay the County's waste disposal fees to support the local solid waste management system. A copy of HP Hood's request letter was provided to the Committee. The discussion will continue at the July Committee meeting.

Transfer Station Paving

A. Miller reported that the County issued a Request for Bids for paving the Hamilton and Cazenovia Transfer Stations. Results will be discussed at the July Committee meeting.

Resolutions

Motion by R. Bargabos to approve the contracts for Emergency Equipment Repair with: Mid-Country Machinery, Five Star, and Milton CAT, seconded by M. Cavanagh and carried.

Motion by M. Cavanagh to approve the Vacuum Truck Service Contract with Eggan Excavating and Equipment Company, seconded by E. Shwartz and carried.

Motion by J. Goldstein to approve entering into the Business Convenience Agreement with Blair Carpentry Ltd. and Mid York dba Reliable Products, seconded by E. Shwartz and carried.

Motion by M. Cavanagh to have the above resolutions put on the preferred agenda, seconded by R. Bargabos and carried.

Miscellaneous Landfill Updates

A. Miller reported that there was a complaint from a farmer about discontinuing ag plastic collection at the Cazenovia Transfer Station. She would present additional information at a future meeting on the cost to provide this service at all transfer stations.

A. Miller reported that the Solid Waste Operations Supervisor position was filled, but that the mechanic resigned and that the Solid Waste Department is currently advertising to fill that position.

Motion by M. Cavanagh to enter into executive session at 10:13 am for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter; seconded by E. Shwartz and passed.

Motion by M. Cavanagh to come out of executive session at 10:29 am; seconded by E. Shwartz and passed.

Next Meeting Date

9 am Tuesday, July 23, 2019 in the Supervisors Conference Room, County Office Building.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by M. Cavanagh, seconded by R. Bargabos and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Miller, Director Solid Waste Management.