

**Town of Seneca Falls Waste Management Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
10/24/16**

**CALL TO ORDER** The Waste Management Advisory Committee (WMAC) held a regular meeting on Oct. 24, 2016 at the Seneca Falls Town Office. Town Supervisor and committee chair Greg Lazzaro called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Member Barb Reese recorded the minutes. Minutes of the August 8, 2016 and September 12, 2016 meetings were approved as read.

Members present: Greg Lazzaro, Dave Clark, Dave Pannucci, Barb Reese, and Matt Blair

Guests: Kyle Black, Val Sandlas

**OPEN DISCUSSION** (No agenda was followed.)

**WMAC – a necessary committee or not?** Supervisor Lazzaro opened the meeting by stating that he doesn't see a reason for the existence of the WMAC. He believes the DEC compliance officers located at Seneca Meadows Landfill are monitoring compliance and our committee is not needed.

Matt Blair again raised the idea of evolving the landfill into a large scale composting/transfer/waste diversion facility. Matt pointed out the fact that based on what we learned at Cornell University, a properly run composting operation should not generate obnoxious odors.

Barb Reese believes the WMAC is necessary for the following reasons:

1. The WMAC is part of our town code Chapter 13 Article VI,
2. WMAC members report to the town board regarding construction and operation of waste management facilities and therefore need to read and be familiar with the monthly reports submitted by Seneca Meadows Landfill to the Town of Seneca Falls,
3. WMAC members monitor compliance with permits and registrations issued by local, state, and federal agencies and therefore need to be made aware of what permits exist in the Town of Seneca Falls,
4. WMAC members are the designees of the town to monitor compliance of Host Community Agreements and therefore should have a copy of it and review it,
5. WMAC members monitor compliance with the Town code of Seneca Falls and therefore should meet occasionally or receive reports from the town code enforcement officer,
6. WMAC members can recommend future policies on waste management alternatives to the Town Board.

Barb Reese asked Supervisor Lazzaro if it would be better to have another member of the town board, someone who sees a reason for the existence of the WMAC, to serve as chairman for this committee. Supervisor Lazzaro says he intends to continue as chair of the WMAC.

Supervisor Lazzaro believes the Citizen's Advisory Committee would be the committee to propose waste alternatives.

Matt Blair suggested the WMAC can recommend to change the town code if we don't believe these items should be our responsibility.

Discussion continued on the WMAC purpose/responsibility and future air quality testing. No actions were taken.

**PLAN FOR NEXT MEETING**

Supervisor Lazzaro says that he will have information from Town Code Enforcement Officer Dean Zettlemyer at our next meeting and that we will discuss monthly reports from the landfill to the town.

**ADJOURNMENT** The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm. Next meeting will be Monday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 4:30 pm at the Seneca Falls Town Office.