

Town of Seneca Falls Waste Management Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
01/09/17

CALL TO ORDER The Waste Management Advisory Committee (WMAC) held a regular meeting on Jan. 9, 2017 at the Seneca Falls Town Office. Town Supervisor and committee chair Greg Lazzaro called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm. Member Barb Reese recorded the minutes. Minutes of the **12/12/16** meeting were approved. Members present: Matt Blair, Dave Clark, Greg Lazzaro, Dave Pannucci, and Barb Reese
Guests: Doug Avery, Dan Babbitt, Kyle Black, Jan Driscoll, Brad Jones, James Mitchell, Val Sandlas

Unfinished Business

INDEMNIFICATION - WMAC members would like to know if they are indemnified as appointed members to this committee if there was a lawsuit against the town of Seneca Falls. **Supervisor Lazzaro will invite Town Attorney Pat Morrell to our next meeting so that we can have this conversation.**

PERMITS - Barb Reese is identifying permits for waste management facilities and waste water treatment facilities that operate in the town. A copy of the current State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) DISCHARGE PERMIT for the Town of Seneca Falls Wastewater Treatment Plant was emailed to members of the WMAC. Joe Tullo, Chief WasteWater Treatment Plant Operator, offered to provide plant tours to WMAC members in April. **Dave Pannucci will contact Town Engineer, Mr. Condino of Barton & Loguidice, to inquire the following regarding the current sewer project and the Town WWTP: 1. What is our capacity now? 2. What will it be when everyone is on-line? 3. Can our current plant handle it? 4. What is the Safety factor that was designed for? 5. Are there future plans for upgrades to handle the increased flow?**

TRASH BINS - Supervisor Lazzaro says that people are calling to complain that the big trash bins now have a fee that was going to be \$50, but was reduced to \$25. Barb Reese spoke in favor of trash fees.

RECYCLING - WMAC members agreed that recycling needs to be made easier possibly by using rolling totes instead of bins. Barb Reese shared information from Lisa Keshel, Seneca County Real Property Tax Office, regarding Seneca County Recycling. Seneca County is in the 2nd year of a 3 year contract with Cardinal Disposal. The 3-year rate is \$399,900 per year for 2016, 2017, and 2018. The county has an option for 2019 to extend it for \$417,800 per year and then in 2020 for \$436,601 per year. Each single family home or unit is charged \$30 annually for recycling. The fee covers the contract, blue bins, and advertising. The county gives \$9,999 to Cornell Cooperative Extension of Seneca County for Recycling Education. Lisa has been looking for grant funds to purchase recycling totes because in total about 16,000 units are needed county – wide. (In Seneca Falls there are 4,396 units.) Totes could cost \$75 each, which would be cost prohibitive. Lisa Keshel is willing to meet with us if we have further questions. **Dave Clark will contact Cardinal directly about grants for totes. *see attached email from Dave Clark.**

RECYCLING EDUCATION – Barb Reese spoke with Ave Bauder from Seneca County Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) regarding recycling education materials that are currently available. A recycling guide was distributed to WMAC members. Ave said that the funds they receive are used for Seneca Gr&een Training, website management, and distribution of recycling guides in the Seneca County Area Shopper from Ovid. CCE also has purchased 3”x5” magnets to promote single stream recycling and will need help distributing them.

New Business **E-WASTE** - NYDEC has grant funds available for e-waste recycling reimbursement. Applications are due by Jan 31st, 2017. Dave Clark recalls the e-waste & hazardous waste collections that Seneca Falls hosted previously. Kyle Black says Seneca Meadows spends \$30,000 - 40,000 a year for recycling at the landfill. If Seneca Meadows were to stop accepting e-waste and tires, municipalities would need to offer a collection. **Barb will call Seneca County to ask about county E-WASTE collection plans for 2017.**

ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm. Next meeting will be Feb 15, 2017 at 4:30 pm at the Seneca Falls Town Office. ****CAN WE RESCHEDULE THIS MEETING BACK TO ORIGINAL FEB 13?**

Dave Clark <dclark@gabraun.com> Jan 11

to me, Greg, David, Matt

Hello All,

At the last meeting I volunteered to check on Grants for recycling totes. I did some web surfing only to find there appears to be little grant money available at this time for recycling containers. I then spoke with Lisa from Seneca County Real Property and she said that the County grant writer has been looking for grant money and has not found anything. I asked Lisa for the contact information for Cardinal Waste Management. Lisa provided me with the owner's name and phone number. I spoke with Joe Gibson and he did not know of any grant money for recycling totes but he did say if we were to go from the blue bins to totes it would be better for him. He said that his equipment is equipped with automated side loader capability and he would be able to process a route quicker.

Joe did provide me with the source that he uses for purchasing totes and he presently pays \$55 per 92 gallon tote from the Reherig Pacific Company, Erie, PA. It is interesting that although we did not find any grant money this price represents a cost reduction from the \$81 on the flyer.

Thanks,

Dave