

**HUNTERDON COUNTY
SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

**January 28, 2020
7:30 PM**

**Building 1 Kitchen Side Assembly Room
Hunterdon County Route 12 (Library) Complex
314 State Route 12, Flemington (Raritan Township), NJ**

MINUTES

1. Open Public Meetings Act: (Rebecca Lunger)

This meeting is being held in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act. Adequate notice has been provided by prominently posting and maintaining so posted throughout the year on the first floor of the County Administration Building, Main St., Flemington, and by mailing on or before January 9, 2019, to The Hunterdon Democrat, The Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Courier News, The Express Times and TAPinto newspapers designated by the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders to receive such notices, and by filing with the Hunterdon County Clerk a schedule of the times and dates of such meetings.

2. Pledge of Allegiance: (Rebecca Lunger)

3. Roll Call/Establishing a Quorum: (Rebecca Lunger)

a. SWAC MEMBERS ATTENDING

- i. Cory Colaluce/ Holland
- ii. Ray Simonds/ Raritan
- iii. Walter Baumgarten/Bethlehem
- iv. Ryan Rollero/ West Amwell
- v. Dominikija Prostack/ Environmental Sector
- vi. Alan Dilley/ Franklin
- vii. Kathy Klink/Deleware
- viii. Michele Bobrowski/ Alexandria

b. ADDITIONAL MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVES

- i. Anthony Szwed/ Deleware alternative
- ii. Robert Becker/ Readington Environmental Com.

c. COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE

- i. Rebecca Lunger/Division of Solid Waste

4. Reorganization (Rebecca Lunger asked group to elect Chairman

Election of Chairman – Ray nominated Kathy. Kathy declined. Kathy nominated Ryan, Ray 2nd, Ryan accepted. Ryan took control of the meeting.

Election of Vice-Chairman – Ryan nominated Ray. Kathy 2nd, Ray accepted.

5. Re-Organization Standing Sub Committees/Reports

Recycling and Hazardous Waste Sub-Committee - Vacant

Industry-Related Concerns Sub-Committee - Vacant
Education/Public Relations Sub-Committee - Dominikija

6. Additional Sub-Committees

Long Term Strategies Sub-Committee- Vacant
Other Committees - Vacant

7. Municipal Updates Ryan stated that WA has 326 permitted residents that bring their waste to the Saturday drop off. 5 tons solid waste every Saturday, 3 tons single stream. Very busy 72 cars per hour with one person to watch what they are putting in. Sees that single stream is a problem would be better to go to at least dual stream.

Kathy – Delaware does not take plastic but they do take fibers, aluminum and tin. Give 50 permits 3x per year for bulky waste.

Michele – Alexandria does not take plastic either. Permit enclosed in newsletter. 4 drop off anytime of the year on 3rd Saturday of the month by vehicle, no dump trucks. They have 4 containers that get filled. Brush drop off no charge. They have shredding through municipal building. Advertised in newsletter and on line. Also do E waste.

Cory – Holland. Cory new to SWAC and his roll at Holland. They do not take plastic. Have bulk waste separate glass. 2 people work the convenience center.

Walter- Bethlehem subscription service for waste and recycling. Brush at the yard, observed to monitor what is being dumped.

Ray- Raritan has a convenience center open every week Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Purchase stickers for 6 times a year. Recycling, E waste and Non recycling (bulk). Leaves curbside.

Alan - Franklin closed.

Dominikija – Frenchtown has Republic as the contracted hauler for the residents and business.

Robert- Readington speaking on behalf of what his town does. Republic is the hauler for Readington.

All representatives agree that single stream has become the downfall of recycling.

AD - The state gives you money based on the tonnage reports.

RR- Sees problem with fibers not being covered and getting rained on then turn to garbage at Colgate. If there isn't a market for recycling then it ends up in the landfill. AD agreed spoke about the residue at the Newark recycling facility.

Dominikija - Important to educate what is the correct way to recycle. Will be working with Rebecca to educate the County residents

8. Other Business

County News- Rebecca gave the stats of last year events. New dates for HHW and E waste. Will be giving flyers to all municipalities.

Transfer Station new scale. Price increase for recycling at \$95.00 per ton. Will be working on the recycling area with other county departments. Hope to see improvements in next few months.

9. Public Comment (no comment)

10. Adjournment (Next Meeting Scheduled April 14, 2020)