

Minutes for SWAC Meeting 10/13/20

Meeting start at 7:30pm- Called to order by Ryan Rollero, Chairman of SWAC.

Attendance –Council Members: Michele B Alexandria, Walter B Bethlehem, Kathy K Delaware, Corey C Holland, Sandy M Kingwood, Dereck s Milford, Ray S Raritan, Robert B Readington and Ryan R West Amwell.

Municipal Representatives: Michael C Flemington, Rosemary G East Amwell and Karen M Califon.

County Rep Rebecca Lunger Division Solid Waste, Health Department and Jenny O’Sullivan Sloid Waste and Health Department

County Updates- Rebecca Lunger: Virtual tour from state for muni tonnage report. (Only virtual because of Covid). Next year in person tours will resume. Electronics event on September 26th was held at the County. Largest event to date with over 1200 cars utilizing the service. The last Haz Waste. Day of the year is scheduled for November 21, 2020.

Clean Communities- Jennifer O’Sullivan: The 3rd annual Delaware River Clean Up was held on September 21, 2020. This event was held in conjunction with NJ & PA D&R Canal State Parks, Delaware River Greenway Partnership, Delaware Twp. Clean Communities, West Amwell Township CC, Frenchtown CC, Lambertville CC, Kingwood CC, HC CC, HC Parks.

Municipal updates: WAM, Ryan Rollero: In July switched over to Republic from in house collection services. Started collecting electronics beginning of August. Process of privatization will be completed in next few months concerning residential garbage and recycling collection.

Readington Twp., Robert Becker: Volunteers with Raritan Headwaters and Readington Twp. will be conducting clean ups on the Holland Brook and South Branch waterways on October 31st. Readington has been collecting bags for Trex Decks but with Covid stores are no longer accepting them. Ryan Rollero stated that currently with the market how it is it is cheaper to produce new plastics than it is to recycle them. Ryan stated he was aware of a vendor on the NJDEP website out of Bristol PA who specializes in low density polyethylene. Robert states he’d like a subcommittee to review the plastics market currently. Kathy Klink and Rosemary Georgette offered to volunteer for the subcommittee.

Alexandria Twp., Michele Bobroski: Asked what the status of the grants were for the recycling and Clean Communities programs.

Kingwood, Sandy McNichol: Discussed possibly adding back in cardboard recycling to her program depending on the market.

Ryan Rollero- Suggested the next SWAC meeting be held on November 10, 2020.

8:11pm- Motion to adjourn made by Sandy McNichol. Seconded by Walter B.