

MINUTES

ESSEX COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meeting - Tuesday, March 24, 2009

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Essex County Solid Waste Advisory Council was held on Tuesday, March 24, 2009 at the Essex County Department of Public Works, 900 Bloomfield Avenue, Verona, NJ. The Recycling Coordinator's meeting began at 1:00 pm. The SWAC meeting immediately followed at 2:15 p.m.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING

Jean Clark, League of Women Voters
Tim Monahan, Millburn
Ken Ventre, Millburn
Paul Woyciechowski, Waste Management/Recycle America
Brian Frohnafel, Waste Management/Recycle America
Russell A. Jones, Jr., Livingston
Rob Teeter, PMK Group
Jared Eudell, PMK Group
Rich Erickson, PMK Group
Michael Onysko, Essex County Utilities Authority
Don Wharton, East Orange
George Kimiecik, Covanta Energy
Kathy Leventhal, Maplewood
Howard Levison, South Orange
Richard Fernicola, South Orange
Nick Salese, Sr., West Orange
Gerard Shimonaski, Verona
Daniel Donovan, Cedar Grove
Kim B. Greene, Newark
William Bartlett, Glen Ridge
Tom Restaino, Nutley
Gerald MacIntyre, Bloomfield
Mark Rae, Advanced Recovery
Frank Furnicella, Advanced Recovery
Lance Webb, Orange
Ronald Karl, Fairfield
Patty Davis, Nutley
John Riccio, Nutley
Lawrence Gonnello, Fairfield
Melvin Waldrop, Newark
Rose Rabb, Newark

1. CALL TO ORDER

Richard Fernicola called the Essex County Solid Waste Advisory Council meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

2. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

The meeting is in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act. Publication of the meeting of the Essex County Solid Waste Advisory Council had previously been made and the public is invited to speak as noted on the agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the January 27, 2008 meeting were unanimously approved as submitted

4. CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

- The Chairperson said we are getting requirement for Certified Public Works manager credits and Recycling Coordinators credits. The recycling coordinators credits we already got approved pretty much for as far as Cook's Coledge. We are inquiring into the State as far as Certified Public Works Managers in order to get credit for both recycling and SWAC meetings.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Essex County Utilities Authority/PMK Group

- As part of the Recycling Coordinator's Meeting, Rob Teeter and Jared Eudell from PMK discussed the following topics:
 1. **Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant.** The 2008 Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant reports are due to the DEPE by April 30, 2009. The PMK Group, consultants to the Essex County Utilities Authority, is available to assist municipalities if they should need help. Mr. Onysko informed all that he has received recycling information from many facilities and has forwarded to the towns. He also requested that a copy of the grant report be sent to him,
 2. **Municipal Recycling Ordinances.** Updated versions that are in compliance with the Essex County Solid Waste Management Plan are due to the ECUA by April 15, 2009. PMK is offering to review current ordinances in order to make recommendations. A sample ordinance is available through the NJDEP website.
 3. **Chamber of Commerce Recycling Presentations.** PMK has given recycling presentations to the Newark Regional Business Partnership and the Nutley Chamber of Commerce. The presentations are to inform businesses

- that recycling is not voluntary but is mandated. The attendees were also informed of the mandatory recyclables in Essex County which are listed in the updated County Solid Waste Management Plan
4. **Essex County Leaf Compost Site.** A meetings was held with the County Executive, Parks department, ECUA, and CEHA to discuss the possibility of using County property to transfer and/or compost County/Municipal leaves. PMK is currently investigating information on the site to determine the useable amount of space and how it can be best utilized.
 5. **Grants.** PMK informed to Council about a Coca-Cola Bin Grant and that information can be viewed at (<http://bingrant.org/>) and also the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) eligible activities include, "Developing public education programs to increase participation and efficiency rates for recycling programs, this can be viewed at (http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm)
 6. **ECUA website (ECUANj.com).** New pages are available for municipal/residential use such as updated news and events, HHW and E-Waste days and flyers, County recycling guide, used oil collection facilities, and drug disposal guide.
 7. **Enforcement.** The Essex County Department of Health (ECDH) has issued a NOV to a Multi-Family housing complex for co-mingling of solid waste. The building immediately came into compliance and no summons had to be issued.
 8. **Tonnage Tracker Software.** Pmk presented the Council with the new Tonnage Tracker reporting program which can be used for the municipal Tonnage Grant report. They suggested that the municipalities try it out to see if they have any questions on how to use it or like additional information added.

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Mr. Onysko informed the committee of the upcoming HHW day on May 2 and the Computer & Electronics day on May 16. He said that as in the past municipalities will be allowed to come in on Friday, May 1 with materials which they have collected from their residents. The municipality should contact the ECUA as to what they will be bringing in so that the vendor can prepare for it, usually about a week before. The fliers for the events can be down loaded from the ECUA website; we would appreciate if you could make some copies and hand them out to other buildings in your town to help cut down our advertising cost.

Mr. Onysko also asked if the towns could advertise the ECUA website so the the municipality and the ECUA won't be getting as many phone calls about the event

Mr. Onysko informed the committee that the next meeting would be a lunch meeting held at the Covanta facility.

Mr. Onysko said that if you go to the ECUA website and you would like to see something on it, let us know and we will see what we can do, we want to help out as much as possible.

A question from Nick Salese of West Orange came up regarding the \$3.00 recycling tax. It was quoted that Joe Davis of the DEPE said the towns should be getting a report on the taxes paid so that they can submit it with the tonnage grant to get reimbursed.

It was explained by Mr. Onysko that when the hauler goes to tip, they are paying an extra \$3.00 per ton on the waste. Part of the tipping fee money is goes to the ECUA for their surcharge, a portion stays at the facility for their operation and \$3.00 stays at the facility for the recycling tax which they must submit to the State. The committee was informed that right now there is no \$3.00 fee at Covanta because the contract was in place prior to the tax taking affect. Once the 10 year contract is up, which is January 2010, and waste is still directed there through a new contract, then the \$3.00 will be imposed. The only facilities collecting the fee at this time are the Waste Management Julia St., and CPR. The only way to get the documentation on the \$3.00 paid is to contact the facility directly.

Covanta Energy

George Kimiecik announced that they are finishing up their outage which will go to next week, so the lines may get a little longer. Hank Asher said that Covanta is going to partner with the County on Earth day. We are going to sponsor a mercury collection program so that any residents bringing in thermostats or thermometers etc. will be given either a \$5.00 Home Depot card or free pass to Turtle Back Zoo. If you can get the word out it would be appreciated. Nick Salese mentioned that West Orange will be having an Energy Fair.

NJ Department of Environmental Protection

- No representation.

6. PRESENTATIONS

Mark Rae of Advanced Recovery talked about what the company does with the E waste that they receive on Electronics Collection days. He informed recycling coordinators that Advanced Recovery will work with municipalities in the collection of the E waste materials.

- The Chairperson commented that e-waste legislation is close to being passed. County Recycling Coordinators are requesting changes to the bill. They want to make sure that manufacturers take the product off of their hands. It's unclear as to how the manufacturers will collect the material and if there will be multiple drop-offs for each company.

PLAN AMENDMENTS – None at this time.

There will be some at the next meeting, specifically CPR, right they are exempt because they are a rail facility. They want to get an actual permit from the DEPE for a Transfer station/ MRF. There may also be one more.

NEW BUSINESS – None

OLD BUSINESS - None

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

PRESENTATIONS - None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at hand, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 p.m. The next meeting of the Solid Waste Advisory Council/ Recycling Coordinator's Committee will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2009 at Covanta Energy, 183 Raymond Boulevard, Newark, N.J. The Recycling Coordinators meeting will begin at 12:00 pm. with the SWAC meeting to follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Onysko, Chief – Engineering/ Operations
Essex County Utilities Authority



ESSEX COUNTY
MONTHLY TONNAGE REPORT

January 2009

Solid Waste delivered to the Essex County Resource Facility/Transfer Station.

Essex Delivered	25,253.670 Tons
Out-of-District Waste	46,436.090 Tons
Special Delivered	71.710 Tons
Total Outbound Ash	14,844.020 Tons
Total Outbound Bulk Waste	10.790 Tons
Total Outbound Recovered Ferrous	1,258.000 Tons

Essex delivered 13,787.41 ID-13-25+27 Bulk Waste tons to the NJDEP Designated Transfer Station.

Essex delivered 11,701.76 ID-10-23+27 Municipal Waste tons to the NJDEP Designated Transfer Station.

February 2009

Solid Waste delivered to the Essex County Resource Facility/Transfer Station.

Essex Delivered	23,492.970 Tons
Out-of-District Waste	40,871.110 Tons
Special Delivered	96.840 Tons
Total Outbound Ash	17,287.670 Tons
Total Outbound Bulk Waste	10.43 Tons
Total Outbound Recovered Ferrous	1,268.970 Tons

Essex delivered 23,337.71 ID-13-25+27 Bulk Waste tons to the NJDEP Designated Transfer Station.

Essex delivered 10,376.56 ID-10-23+27 Municipal Waste tons to the NJDEP Designated Transfer Station.

March 2009

Solid Waste delivered to the Essex County Resource Facility/Transfer Station.

Essex Delivered	27,332.390 Tons
Out-of-District Waste	45,032.350 Tons
Special Delivered	252.130 Tons
Total Outbound Ash	16,881.940 Tons
Total Outbound Bulk Waste	50.180 Tons
Total Outbound Recovered Ferrous	1,172.020 Tons

Essex delivered 8,567.320 ID-13-25+27 Bulk Waste tons to the NJDEP Designated Transfer Station.

Essex delivered 11,624.070 ID-10-23+27 Municipal Waste tons to the NJDEP Designated Transfer Station.