



MINUTES

JOINT MEETING OF THE ESSEX COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COUNCIL and MUNICIPAL RECYCLING COORDINATORS.

September 28, 2021 VIA ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL

The Chairperson, Mr. Moehlman, called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.

The Open Public Meetings statement was read by Mr. DeFeo.

Attendance was taken by Mr. D'Altilio, 26 people were logged into the ZOOM Meeting, 22 were Members or Municipal Representatives, one from Covanta, ECHD and 2 from DeFeo Associates.

Minutes for the July meeting were approved, on a motion by Roseland and Seconded by Livingston

Chairperson's Comments – Mr. Moehlman asked if anyone was interested in filling the position of Vice Chair for the remainder of the year. There was no one interested.

Committee Reports:

A. ECUA – DeFeo Associates – Mr. DeFeo reported:

- i. That the HHW collection day is Saturday (Oct 2) and the site will be open to DPW Vehicles on Friday 9/30. He also mentioned the NJDEP Rule that prohibits the transport of Hazardous Material in unregistered vehicle. The E-waste collection day is Saturday Oct 16th and the site will be open to DPWs on Friday 10/15.
- ii. TDMA's (Temporary Debris Management Area) – Mr. DeFeo explained the need for each town to apply for and register a TDMA . Only 10 of the County's municipalities have official TDMA's. He asked if the members would be interested in a workshop on completing the application. All agreed and he will set up the workshop.

B. Facilities Reports:

- i. **AERI** – Mr. DeFeo commented that the Transfer Station was handling all the debris from the storm. There were long lines due to the volume and are now back to normal. He also reported that AERI/Dart requested and received from the DEP permission to increase to 4,000 TPD and for relief from clearing the tipping floor every 24 hours. This will be in effect until **October 15, 2021**.
- ii. **Covanta** – Mr. Bernardino reported that they experienced a major increase in tonnage as a result of the Ada. The storm also caused the scales to flood and that 2-planned outages had to be rescheduled.
- iii. **Waste Management** – No Report

C. Health Department Report

- i. Mr. Pilas, Essex Health Department, reported that as a result of the new Food Waste Law they will be inspecting food waste generators. He also said that they will be conducting inspection of

all sites with 100cy or more of soil and fill on site and offering it for sale to ensure that they have the necessary permits and that the material is clean.

Old Business:

- a. **Market Report** – Mr. DeFeo reported that the markets are strong, especially Dual Stream. Nutley reported that they are being paid for their paper and comingled. Mr. DeFeo cautioned that this may only be seasonal price increases.

New Business:

- a. **Assembly Bill A-5899** – Mr. DeFeo reported that this bill would require the company bidding be responsible for the collection of solid waste and prohibit the practice of using subcontractors. Livingston discussed their experience with having awarded this type of service. There was discussion between the members.
- b. **Environmental Justice** – NJDEP Administrative Order No. 2021-25 – Mr. DeFeo discussed and gave his opinion on the recently issued AO.

Public Comments – No Comments

Next meeting is scheduled for November 23, 2021. At this point the meeting will be via ZOOM.

A motion was made and seconded and the Meeting was adjourned at 2:05 P.M.