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

January 24, 2023 VIA ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL

Chairman Moehlman, called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM.

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

Attendance was taken by Mr. D'Altilio. Twenty-one Members or Municipal Representatives, two from DeFeo Associates, and from Essex County Health were in attendance. Lisa Johnson, Environmental Affairs Coordinator from Montclair was welcomed.

Minutes for the November meeting were corrected to change the incorrect date of the next meeting to January 24, 2023 and they were approved with the change by motion.

Chairperson's Comments – Chairman Moehlman thanked everyone for attending. He also mentioned that Millburn has or plans to shut down their leaf composting facility. The DEP's Stormwater Regulations and the costs associated with compliance were a contributing factor to this decision. Materials will now be transported to Springfield with an increase in carbon and air emissions.

Committee Reports:

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

Mr. DeFeo reported that Waste Management will rebuild their Julia Street transfer station facility, also that ACF has received permission from the State to rebuild their Passaic facility MRF. He also reminded the members that a Solid Waste or Recycling Contract in the aggregate of more than 10 million dollars must be reviewed by the Office of the State Comptroller. This review adds a minimum of 30-days to the preparation of the specifications.

B. Health Department Report

a. Mr. Pilas, reported that complaints are down and they received only one plastic bag complaint.

C. Facilities Reports:

- **a. AERI** No Report No representative in attendance.
- **b.** Covanta No Report No representative in attendance
- **c.** Waste Management No Report No representative in attendance.

Old/Continuing Business:

- A. ANJR Mr. DeFeo inquired if there were any new ANJR members, there were none.
- **B.** The "2023 NJ Sustainability in Motion Conference" New Jersey Clean Communities Council and Association of New Jersey Recyclers t representatives, elected officials, business and industry, consultants, and non-profits from around the state. He urged all to attend the Conference as it will offer a premier opportunity for all to network, earn needed CEUs and

- meet with vendor. MTG or Clean Community Funds may be used for Conference registration.
- **C.** Markets Report Update Mr. DeFeo reported that the markets are "flat".

New Business:

- **A.** Municipal Tonnage Grants (MTG) Mr. D'Altilio commented on the publishing of the 2022 MTG Guide and Forms. He reminded the MRCs that forms must be received by April 30, 2023. Those communities without a CRP can forward all necessary information to Dominick and he will sign and submit, on the town's behalf, the completed forms. ALL Forms and information must be to be to him no later than April 10th.
- **B. Public Comments: None**

Adjournment - A motion was made and seconded and the Meeting was adjoined at 1:28 pm.

REMINDER 2023 Meeting Schedule – meetings are the 4th Tuesday every other month: January 24, March 28, May 23, July 25, September 26, and November 28. Meetings will remain on Zoom until further notice.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 28, 2023. At this point the meeting will be via ZOOM.