

June 3, 2021

The June 3, 2021 meeting of the Warren County Solid Waste Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chair Ellen Nerbak; the meeting was conducted virtually by Webex. Attending the meeting were Ellen Nerbak, Joseph Watters, Lynn Rutkoski, Jim Banta, Linda Gabel, David Dech and JoAnn Fascenelli. Adele Starrs was excused. The Chair confirmed the presence of a quorum.

Notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by forwarding a schedule of regular meetings of the Warren County Solid Waste Advisory Council to the Warren County Clerk and The Star-Ledger and by posting a copy thereof on the bulletin board in the office of the Board of Commissioners. Formal action may be taken by the Warren County Solid Waste Advisory Council at this meeting. Public participation is encouraged. In order to assure public participation, those individuals with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting should submit any requests for special accommodations one week in advance.

#### MINUTES

It was MOVED by Mr. Watters to accept and approve the minutes of the April 1, 2021 meeting, seconded by Ms. Rutkoski. With two abstentions and no corrections, all in favor.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### Solid Waste/Recycling

Mr. Dech commented that municipal recycling reports were due April 30 to the NJDEP. He received an e-mail indicating four municipalities needed to supply information. None of those municipalities responded as of today, and Mr. Dech contacted each municipality with a reminder.

REHS - No one present.

PCFA - No one present.

NJDEP – No one present.

Board of Commissioners - No one present.

##### Membership

Mr. Dech reported three towns have appointed new members to SWAC to fill vacancies.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Watters asked about the opening of the additional cell at the landfill, to which Mr. Dech replied all is on schedule with the first cell to open in January or February, 2022. The remainder will be finished closer to the end of 2022.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Dech was asked by the Board of Commissioners to provide the new Solid Waste Management Plan. The old one has expired since Covanta has not been operating for two years. ID-10 waste from Warren

County can be transported to Hunterdon or Somerset Counties; both are willing and able to take Warren County waste but Warren County waste will not be accepted. A draft of the plan amendment for SWAC must be submitted prior to August 11. A special SWAC meeting is planned for July 1, 2021 to review the language for the plan amendment which will be circulated to SWAC members prior to July 1. Asked if this will be a Webex meeting, Mr. Dech explained this will be discussed at the next Board of Commissioners meeting. Mr. Dech will circulate the meeting information along with the amendment to all members. Mr. Dech explained this will not be a full plan amendment review, just a focus on the vital points.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

None.

The meeting was adjourned by 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth A. Panté, Clerk

**Next meeting date:  
July 1, 2021**