# Minutes of the August 16, 2011 ANJR Board of Directors' Meeting Green Sky Industries, Clifton, NJ

**Members Present:** D. D'Altilio, B. Fiedler, M. Williams, R. Hutchinson, B. Peterson, M. Vangieri, D. Caputo, R. Casapulla, F. Cornell, W. DeFeo, D. DeMatte, M. Fisher, M. Gismondi, A. Kontovrakis, E. Kuhlwein, P. McGaheran, J. McNellis, R. Bucco for V. Montecalvo, N. Paquette, G. Russell, C. Tolmachewich, A. Yoss, M. Kruzan

Members Absent: J. Clark, A. Giordano Sr., M. Vastano

Members Excused: P. Jones, A. Moore, Dan Napoleon, J. Pellichero

Guests: Guy Watson, NJDEP

**Call to Order** – After a tour of Green Sky's facility was completed, the meeting was called to order at 10:40 a.m. An attendance sheet was circulated in lieu of roll call.

**Approval of Minutes** – The minutes of the June 21, 2011 meeting were distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. Donna Caputo made a motion to approve the minutes. Ron Hutchinson seconded; all were in favor.

**Correspondence:** - President D'Altilio reported that there have been many news articles about the 2009 tonnage grant allotment amounts.

## Officers' Reports

**President's Report** – President D'Altilio reported that the board members are still planning the symposium and getting prepared for the southern version of the enforcement seminar.

President D'Altilio also stated that there was an article in Waste Age about the proposed national zero waste certification program. The article stated that zero waste has many different definitions throughout the country. No one can agree on one definition.

President D'Altilio reported that the NJDEP hosted an electronics meeting on August 3, 2011 in Burlington County that was attended by municipal representatives, business people and recyclers. The meeting was held to discuss "what to do with the electronic equipment that is being scavenged at the curb". The board members discussed many different ideas such as: stop the curbside collection of electronics and televisions, and better education programs are needed. This topic was discussed in great detail.

#### **Vice Presidents:**

Administration: Barbara Fiedler had no report.

<u>Program</u>: Melinda Williams stated that everyone is working very hard on the planning of the symposium. There was a symposium planning meeting held on July 20<sup>th</sup>. The title of the symposium is "Let's give them something to talk about." Jerry Powell is unable to attend the symposium. Melinda reported the following topics will be presented - Recycling and Sustainable Materials Management; Cooking Oil to Biodiesel – Westwood NJ Program; Municipal Ordinance at work for Construction & Demolition; and an update on the Princeton Township Pilot Curbside Organics Collection program.

Monica Gismondi passed around sheets for board members to sign-up to help set-up and break down the symposium. A sheet also was passed around for the board members to list items that they will donate for the symposium auction. Monica stated that any smaller items can be given to Melinda at the September board meeting to store for the symposium.

Marie Kruzan asked for volunteers to help the NJDEP judge the recycling awards applications. Mark Vangieri, Melinda Williams and Renee Casapulla each volunteered to review the applications.

<u>Development</u>: Ron Hutchinson reported that the development committee continues to pursue Toyota and LG Electronics. Ron reiterated that if board members have connections in any larger companies to provide him with contact information and the committee will solicit these companies regarding membership.

<u>Treasurer</u>: Bernie Peterson read the treasurer's report. Alan Yoss made a motion to file the report for audit. Barbara Fiedler seconded; all were in favor.

Secretary - No report.

## **Executive Director's Report:**

Executive Director Kruzan reported that she completed the second mailing of the July membership drive. Marie reported that ANJR gained 4 new members from the northern enforcement seminar.

Marie also stated that there will be a brief meeting after the board meeting to discuss the enforcement seminar and the annual symposium.

### **Committee Reports**

Class B Committee – Wayne DeFeo stated that there is nothing new to report.

<u>Air Permitting Issue</u> - Wayne DeFeo reported the air issue is a disaster and he believes that a meeting with the NJDEP Commissioner may need to be set up.

### **NJDEP Report**

NJDEP 2009 Tonnage Report Checks: Guy Watson reported that 37 municipalities indicated that they received a tonnage grant check for less money than the amount paid in REA tax. Guy stated that there will be a supplemental round of funding.

<u>E-waste rule</u>: Guy Watson reported that the e-waste rules have been published. There will be no public hearings. However, the NJDEP is accepting comments.

<u>New NJDEP Assistant Commissioner</u> – Guy reported that effective August 1<sup>st</sup> there is a new Assistant Commissioner for Environmental Management - Jane Kozinski.

NJDEP 2011 Counties REA Grants - Guy reported that the county spending plans should be sent out soon. Carole Tolmachewich asked what can be done to make the timing of the grant program consistent year to year.

#### **New Business:**

Fred Cornell stated that the US EPA has introduced a proposal to change and broaden the definition of solid waste.

**Adjournment** – Pat McGaheran made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alan Yoss seconded; all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 12:14 P.M. The September meeting will be held at the NJ Eco Complex, Bordentown, NJ on September 20, 2011 at noon.

Respectfully submitted, Mark Vangieri, Secretary