Minutes of the December 4, 2012 ANJR Board of Directors Meeting at the South Brunswick, Township Utilities Building, South Brunswick, NJ

**Members Present:** D. D'Altilio, B. Fiedler, M. Gismondi, R. Hutchinson, B. Peterson, M. Vangieri, D. Caputo, R. Casapulla, A. Giordano Sr., P. Jones, E. Kuhlwein, W. Lehman, P. McGaheran, J. McNellis, A. Moore, J. Mulligan, D. Napoleon, N. Paquette, J. Pellichero, M. Quinn, G. Russell, C. Tolmachewich, M. Vastano, M. Williams, A. Yoss, M. Kruzan

#### **Members Absent:**

Members Excused: J. Clark, W. DeFeo, D. DeMatte, M. Fisher, A. Kontovrakis, J. Solewski

Guests: Guy Watson, NJDEP

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 10:21 A.M. An attendance sheet was circulated in lieu of roll call.

President D'Altilio thanked Nancy Paquette for hosting the board meeting and welcomed Bill Lehman – ANJR's newest board member.

**Approval of Minutes** – The minutes of the September 18, 2012 meeting were distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. Melinda Williams made a motion to approve the minutes. Monica Gismondi seconded; all were in favor.

## **Correspondence:**

President D'Altilio informed the Board that a thank you letter was received from Carol Broccoli regarding her selection as the REX recipient.

President D'Altilio reported that ANJR received an email from Steve Rinaldi, of the NJDEP, thanking ANJR for placing a link to the NJ Wastewise Business Network on ANJR's web site.

<u>Auditors Proposal</u> – President D'Altilio received the auditor's proposal from Dimars, Perazza & Co., for 2012. The cost is \$2,800 - the same as last year.

Barbara Fiedler made a motion to hire Dimars, Perazza & Co., to complete the 2012 audit report. Nancy Paquette seconded; all were in favor.

#### Officers' Reports

### **President's Report**

President D'Altilio reported that ANJR has received photos of the symposium from board member Donna Caputo and Rick Veliquez of Atlantic Coast Fibers.

President D'Altilio informed the board that the 2013 ANJR Annual meeting will be held on March 21, 2013 at the Rutgers EcoComplex. Board member Matt Vastano of Harvest Power has volunteered to be a presenter at the annual meeting.

<u>Nomination Committee</u> - President D'Altilio stated that Dan Napoleon will Chair the Nominations Committee and John Mulligan, Isaac Manning, Chuck Raudenbush and Gary Conover will serve on the committee.

<u>Finance Committee Meeting</u> - President D'Altilio stated that there will be a finance committee meeting on January 10, 2013 at the ANJR offices.

<u>2013 Meeting Schedule</u> - President D'Altilio asked the Board if they would like to keep the 2013 meeting schedule the same as 2012, which is: meetings are the third Tuesday of each month with no meetings in March, October and November. After some discussion it was agreed upon to keep the schedule the same as 2012.

## The 2013 ANJR Board Meeting schedule is as follows:

- January 15 EcoComplex, Bordentown 10:00 AM
- February 19 Morris County MUA, Mendham Noon
  - Preceded by county coordinators meeting at 10:00 AM
- March 21 ANJR Annual Meeting NJ EcoComplex
- April 16 Sims Metal Management, Jersey City -10:00 AM
- May 21- Mercer County Boathouse Noon
  - Preceded by county coordinators meeting at10:00 AM
- June 18- Integrity Recycling & Waste Solutions -Noon
- August 20- Green Sky Industries, Clifton -10:00 AM
- September 17 Ocean County Recycling Center Noon
  - o Preceded by county coordinators meeting at10:00 AM
- October. 16 Annual Recycling Symposium & Awards Luncheon Jumping Brook Country Club
- Dec. 3 Waste Management Recycling Services, Ewing 10:00 AM

<u>CRP recertification credits for ANJR board meetings</u> – President D'Altilio reminded the board members that they can receive 1 meeting CEU for CRP's for attending the board meetings.

#### Vice Presidents:

## Administration:

<u>Bylaws change</u> - Barbara Fiedler reported that an email was sent to all board members on October 25, 2012 asking them to vote on the bylaw change, proposed on September 20, 2012, to create an Emeritus Director position. The following votes were received:

$$23 - yes$$
 0 – no 7 members did not vote

Executive Director Kruzan reported that an email was sent to all board members on November 20, 2012 informing them that the Board Nominating Committee headed by Committee Chair Dan Napoleon has proposed the following: 1. Nominate Jean Clark for the position of Emeritus Board member and 2. Nominate Bill Lehman of Waste Management Recycling Services to the Board of Directors

The Board was asked to vote on this proposal and the following votes were received:

1. Nominate Jean Clark for the position of Emeritus Board member.

2. Nominate Bill Lehman of Waste Management Recycling Services to the Board of Directors

## Program:

Monica Gismondi thanked everyone for all of their work towards making the symposium a success. Monica stated that 78 items were received for the auction and that the auction netted \$2.321.

Executive Director Kruzan reported that 18 vendors participated in the symposium and that there were 262 attendees.

<u>Southern NJ Tonnage Grant Reporting Class</u> - Monica Gismondi reported that, due to Hurricane Sandy, the tonnage reporting class was cancelled and will be rescheduled for early 2013.

<u>Annual Meeting</u> - Monica Gismondi stated that the planning committee needs ideas for subjects and presenters for the Annual Meeting.

<u>Swap & Share</u> - Monica Gismondi stated that dates need to be chosen for the northern and southern swap and share meetings.

#### **Development:**

Ron Hutchinson reported that at the January Finance Committee meeting, the Leonard Grant committee will also have a meeting.

Ron Hutchinson sent around a sheet to all of the board members and asked them to list names and contact information for companies that he can solicit to become ANJR members.

### Treasurer:

Executive Director Kruzan reported that she decided to delay the mailing of the annual membership forms to businesses that had damage due to Hurricane Sandy.

Bernie Peterson read the treasurer's report. Ann Moore made a motion to file the report for audit. Ron Hutchinson seconded: all were in favor.

Executive Director Kruzan reported that ANJR is on target to end the year under budget.

Secretary - No report.

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

Executive Director Kruzan reported that that ReCommunity Recycling is a new Inner Circle member. Marie also reported that Bayshore Recycling has upgraded from an ANJR member to an Inner Circle member.

<u>Symposium</u> – Executive Director Kruzan provided the Board with a summary of the symposium. She reported that this was the most money we have ever received from sponsorships. She also reported that thank you letters were sent out to the speakers. Marie reported that a net of \$30,660.06 was received, approximately \$6,000 more that the 2011 symposium.

#### **Committee Reports**

### Class A Committee:

There was no report.

## Legislative Committee:

There was no report.

# Plastic Bag Committee:

Maite Quinn and Wayne DeFeo met with the NJ Food Council (NJFC) to discuss the plastic bag situation. Maite reported that the NJFC opposes both a tax on the sale of plastic bags and a ban on the use of plastic bags. Maite believes that the NJFC is open to ANJR joining their coalition. This may be a good way to get one message out in New Jersey.

Ann Moore stated that ANJR should have a clear picture of NJFC's agenda before we sign on. Donna Caputo and Gray Russell agreed with Ann and believe we should be hesitant until we know NJFC's position.

Guy Watson stated that he believes that there will be some sort of legislation passed.

Maite stated that she will get more information such as who the other coalition members are, etc.

## Hurricane Sandy update:

President D'Altilio asked the board members that represent companies – how their companies were effected by the storm?

- Matt Vastano reported that business is booming but this may make the price of mulch drop. He reported that overtime and equipment breakdown is up. He also stated that there are many out of state companies accepting material.
- Pat McGaheran reported that Colgate is seeing much more materials and that they are very busy.
- John Mulligan reported that ReCommunity only had one facility lose power. He reported
  that initially there was a drop in the amount of material received, but he stated that things
  are now getting back to normal. He stated that since the port was closed it is very
  difficult to receive containers.
- Bill Lehman reported that waste is very heavy and that Waste Management was also having difficulty receiving containers.
- Anthony Giordano reported that prices for fiber are dropping.
- Joe McNellis reported that Greensky is taking in much material but they are having difficulty in transporting the material due to trucking problems.
- Maite Quinn reported that Sims was closed for two weeks and that they were "bombarded" with material from New York City. She stated that they had to hire third party companies to assist with the material. Maite also stated that they are receiving many new vehicles with storm damage.

# **NJDEP Report:**

Guy Watson reported the following:

## Hurricane Sandy:

Guy reported that NJDEP Commissioner Martin sent an email to the DEP staff informing them that they are the lead agency regarding clean up and rebuilding. He informed them that for approximately the next year they will be working on issues related to Hurricane Sandy.

Guy also reported that 168 counties and/or municipalities have requested approval for temporary debris storage areas.

Guy also reported that the State executed a contract with Ashbritt Environmental to accept debris for disposal. Guy's responsibility is to monitor Ashbitt and file a daily report to the DEP Commissioner.

Guy also reported that Jane Kozinsky is the DEP contact for the state contract with Ashbritt.

# **Urban Renewal Summit:**

Guy reported that the urban renewal summit report should be coming out sometime in the future.

### **County REA Grants:**

Guy believes that the amount of \$5.5 million for county REA grants should be accurate.

## Waste Characterization Study:

Guy reported that the DEP will be accepting RFP's from colleges and universities to complete a waste characterization study.

## Food Waste Recycling:

Guy reported that the DEP will be sending out a letter of interest to businesses to see if they are interested in food waste recycling and what kind of help they need, etc.

#### Bonus Grants for Innovative Projects:

Guy reported that the NJDEP is planning on requesting \$250,000 of the REA funds to offer municipalities bonus grants to help subsidize innovative programs.

## **New Business:**

There was no new business.

**Adjournment** – Monica Gismondi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Donna Caputo seconded; all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 12:36 PM. The January meeting will be held on January 15, 2013 at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Mark Vangieri, Secretary