

Minutes of the May 19, 2015 ANJR Board of Directors Meeting at the Frelinghuysen Arboretum, Morris Township, NJ

Members Present: D. D’Altilio, M. Gismondi, R. Hutchinson, D. Caputo, M. Vangieri, R. Anderson, N. Blitz, R. Casapulla, J. Entwistle, M. Ferreby, P. Jones, E. Kuhlwein, J. McNellis for W. Lehman, P. McGaheran, A. Moore, D. Napoleon, N. Paquette, M. Quinn, G. Russell, J. Solewski, C. Tolmachevich, C. Vidal, M. Kruzan

Members Absent: A. Contillo Andersen, J. Pellichero

Members Excused: W. DeFeo, B. Fiedler, A. Kontovrakis, M. Vastano, M. Williams, A. Yoss

Guests: Frank Brill

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 12:21 P.M. An attendance sheet was circulated in lieu of roll call.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the April 28, 2015 meeting were distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. Gray Russell made a motion to approve the minutes. Ron Hutchinson seconded; all were in favor.

Correspondence:

President D’Altilio reported that a response was received from the NJDEP regarding ANJR’s letter of April 16, 2015 expressing concerns regarding future tonnage grant reporting requirements of class B facilities. Joe Davis sent out an email stating that class B facilities would no longer need to report by municipality. The letter by Guy Watson didn’t consider ANJR’s concerns so the County Recycling Coordinators are also sending Guy Watson a letter addressing the same concerns as ANJR.

Jennifer Solewski stated that she will review the new class B reporting form to see if the town of origin is still included.

Officers’ Reports

President’s Report:

President D’Altilio thanked Maite Quinn and Sims Municipal Recycling for hosting the April board meeting. He also thanked Melinda Williams for arranging the transportation to Simms and Bayshore Recycling for providing parking to the board members.

President D’Altilio thanked Morris County for hosting the May meeting.

Vice Presidents:

Administration:

There was no report.

Development:

Ron Hutchinson reported that the waste audit video for the school recycling toolkit will be shot the first week of June in New Brunswick. Multiple Board members volunteered to assist with the audit. Ron also stated that the on camera interviews are going well.

Ron asked the Board to provide him with information regarding businesses that they believe may be interested in joining ANJR and Ron will contact (solicit) these businesses. Ron is still pursuing 1-800-got-junk for potential membership.

Program:

Monica Gismondi reported that there will be a planning committee meeting after the board meeting.

Treasurer:

In lieu of Donna Caputo, Marie Kruzan read the treasurer's report. Penny Jones made a motion to file the report for audit. Ron Hutchinson seconded; all were in favor.

Marie also started that the draft 2014 financial audit has been received and that it needs to be reviewed. She also reported that the second scholarship recipient (Gray Russell) has graduated the CRP class.

Secretary:

Mark Vangieri asked the Board Members to provide him with information, ideas or suggestions for the Summer Newsletter.

Executive Director's Report:

Marie Kruzan stated that she is preparing the July membership applications to be mailed out. Marie also reported that she requested a grant extension from the Alcoa Foundation since the school recycling program is proceeding slower than expected. Marie also reported that she and Gray Russell attended the National Materials Management meeting in Maryland.

Committee Reports

Golf Committee:

Nancy Paquette reported that there has been a slow response so far. She also stated that there will be a golf committee meeting after the board meeting. Nancy also asked the board if they can donate money towards purchasing a tee sign.

Class B Committee:

No report.

Legislative Committee:

Frank Brill reported the following:

S2166 - Governor Christie vetoed the grease bill and stated that it would place a burden on businesses.

A397 - The ANJR food waste bill has been assigned A4397 and is sponsored by L. Grace Spencer. Carole Tolmachewich reported that some of the southern landfill counties have concerns regarding this bill and these concerns are being addressed by the food waste committee.

S1420 – The Paint Care bill was approved in the Senate 26-7 and has been referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee. Frank reports that some paint retail merchants are complaining about this bill and they consider it a tax.

A3405 – A scrap metal bill that prohibits a scrap metal business from purchasing any historical marker, grave marker, or burial vase. The prohibition includes any items of religious significance and items related to the memorialization of members of the United States Armed Forces. This bill passed the Assembly 70-0 and has been referred to the Senate.

S2973 – Senator Smith is working on this new electronics recycling bill. It should be available in the near future.

Food Waste Committee:

Included in legislative committee report.

NJDEP Report:

No report.

New Business:

REX Award – President D’Altilio stated that Mark Vangieri will be the REX Award Committee Chairman and that board members should start considering possible nominees.

Adjournment – Ernie Kuhlwein made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Reenee Casapulla seconded, all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 PM. The next meeting will be held on June 16, 2015 at 10:00 AM at Duke Farms, Hillsborough Township, NJ.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Vangieri, Secretary