

Minutes of the August 18, 2015 ANJR Board of Directors Meeting at the Gloucester County Government Services Building, Clayton, NJ

Members Present: D. D’Altilio, B. Fiedler, M. Gismondi, R. Hutchinson, D. Caputo, M. Vangieri, A. Contillo Andersen, M. Ferreby, A. Kontovrakis, E. Kuhlwein, W. Lehman, P. McGaheran, G. Russell, J. Solewski, C. Tolmachewich, M. Williams, M. Kruzan

Members Absent: D. Napoleon, J. Pellichero, M. Quinn

Members Excused: R. Anderson, N. Blitz, R. Casapulla, W. DeFeo, J. Entwistle, P. Jones, A. Moore, N. Paquette, M. Vastano C. Vidal, A. Yoss

Guests: Guy Watson, Frank Brill

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 10:12 A.M. An attendance sheet was circulated in lieu of roll call.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the June 16, 2015 meeting were distributed via e-mail prior to the meeting. Andriana Kontovrakis made a motion to approve the minutes. Melinda Williams seconded; all were in favor.

Correspondence:

There was no correspondence.

Officers’ Reports

President’s Report:

President D’Altilio reported that on July 31st, Joe Davis of the NJDEP sent an email to the counties with a status update of the 2014 tonnage grant program. Joe included towns that did not submit resolutions and/or reports. As the counties were reviewing this report from Joe, Cindy Randazzo and Joe Rodgers of the NJDEP contacted the towns directly. This caused much discord amongst the towns since many of the towns were inaccurately listed on this report. Many of the county coordinators stated that if Joe is going to send this report to the counties they should have time to review it for inaccuracies before the NJDEP starts calling municipalities. Carole Tolmachewich stated that this will be discussed at the next County Recycling Coordinators meeting on September 15, 2015.

Vice Presidents:

Administration:

There was no report.

Development:

Ron Hutchinson reported that many videos have been “shot” and edited for the ANJR school recycling toolkit. Ron also reported that ANJR has set-up its own YouTube channel that will include these videos. Frank Brill added that Ron and Donna Caputo did a great job on the waste audit video. The Board viewed 3 of these videos and they will also be presented at the ANJR Recycling Symposium on October 14th.

Ron also stated that Mark Vangieri provided him with two leads for potential new business members. Ron reminded the Board to send him information for potential business members and he will follow-up with those businesses.

Donna Caputo stated that ANJR should pursue Johnson & Johnson who was previously an ANJR member.

Program:

Monica Gismondi stated that the title for the October 14th symposium is *Looking Beyond Recycling*. Monica also stated that there will be a planning committee meeting after the board meeting.

Treasurer:

Donna Caputo read the treasurer's report. Ron Hutchinson made a motion to file the report for audit. Ernie Kuhlwein seconded; all were in favor.

Secretary:

Mark Vangieri stated that the summer newsletter has been completed and was emailed to the membership on August 10th.

President D'Altilio is proposing the development of a second newsletter that will target the business members. Instead of sending a multi-page letter to each business, Dom stated that the business members may be more likely to read a newsletter.

The business newsletter will be sent out when the regular newsletter is sent out.

Andriana Kontovrakis and Jennifer Solewski suggested that the newsletters should be sent out in the body of the email and not as an attachment. This is a good way to reach the business members since they may not open the attachment. This method to develop and email the newsletters in this fashion will be researched.

Executive Director's Report:

Executive Director Kruzan reported that inner circle memberships were received from Simms Metal Management and Recycled Fibers. The July renewals are still being received and the 3rd mailing was sent out.

Marie also reported that she is working with NERC on planning a sustainable materials management summit that will be held in November and the topic will be glass recycling.

Committee Reports

Golf Committee:

Marie Kruzan and Bill Lehman thanked everyone for all of their assistance. All money from the outing has been received.

Class B Committee:

No report.

Legislative Committee:

Frank Brill reported that the legislature is on break for the summer. He also stated that the e-waste bill was released from committee and that Senator Smith wants to move it as quick as possible in the fall.

Carol Tolmachewich stated that ANJHHW and ANJR are developing comments regarding the e-waste bill. Dominick D'Altilio reported that some of the businesses are pushing for a program similar to Connecticut's program where a third party administers the program, not the NJDEP.

Food Waste Committee:

Ernie Kuhlwein asked when the food waste committee is going to meet with the landfill counties to address their concerns.

NJDEP Report:

Guy Watson reported that the DEP Commissioner has asked the DEP staff for an e-waste plan by the end of August.

Guy also reported that the DEP has been reorganized again and that Jane Hurndon's Assistant Commissioner Position will not be filled. The Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste will be reporting to the Assistant Commissioner for the Site Remediation Program.

Guy reported that Steve Rinaldi, Vicki Kerekes and Sondra Flite have been moved to the Division of Energy Security and Sustainability.

Guy Watson also reported that the DEP received requests for over \$600,000 for bonus grants and that the 2013 tonnage grants are almost complete.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Adjournment – Ernie Kuhlwein made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Donna Caputo seconded, all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 12:10 PM. The next meeting will be held on September 15, 2015 at noon at the Ocean County Recycling Center, Lakewood, NJ.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Vangieri, Secretary