

Minutes
Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority
October 24, 2002

Members Present

C. St. Lawrence
T. Dusanenko
C. Holbrook
D. Jobson
T. Kleiner
H. Marshall
H. Phillips
F. Wassmer
Dr. Yarmus
K. Zebrowski

Members Absent

B. Berliner
S. Corallo
E. Devine
F. Fornario
S. Hurley
R. Karben
I. Schoenberger

Others Present

R. Delo
A. Etelson
T. Pytlar
T. West
J. Klos
D. O'Donnell
S. Simon
J. Graifman
D. Phillips

The Chairman called the meeting to order at

Item #3

Resolution No. 37 of 2002
Adoption of Minutes, Meeting of September 26, 2002

D. Jobson offered the following resolution, which was seconded by T. Dusanenko and was approved unanimously, and,
RESOLVED, that the transcribed Minutes of the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority for the meeting of September 26, 2002 as recorded by the Clerk are hereby adopted.

Item #4

WFC

T. Pytlar stated that in the month of October WFC assisted the Authority with the following activities:

- Assisted with the litigation with WM by preparing a calculation of payments owed to the Authority, which are being withheld by WM.
- Assisted the Authority by preparing grant applications for recycling education and for the study of the feasibility of photovoltaic power to power the COCO and the MRF.
- Reviewed bids that were received for the construction of the backyard composting demonstration center that is located next to the COCO.
- Prepared the new RFP for the transfer station operation
- Prepared the RFB for the hauling of waste from the transfer station
- An inspection was conducted of the transfer station to estimate the dollar amounts for the necessary repairs upon the exit of Miele Sanitation.

- WFC has observed the performance test of the equipment for the preprocessing facility and also assisted the Authority staff with the marketing of the materials.

Executive Director

R. Delo stated that the Authority has received sludge from Stony Point, which had a low level of medical waste in it. The Authority had to divert this material and R. Delo has had discussions with the County Health Department and the NYSDEC and the Authority is anticipating letters from both stating that the Authority can process these low levels of medical waste at our facility and do not have to divert these loads. These loads are low-level cancer treatment loads that are non-regulated. The Authority looks forward to these letters so that we can process these loads.

C. St. Lawrence questioned if these loads are put aside until the half-life is completed?

R. Delo answered that in some cases yes the Authority waits and in some cases the Authority sends these loads to alternative disposal facility such as Spec-Serve in NJ.

R. Delo stated that he had a meeting with Ross Patton the President of Synagro regarding the costing problem at the coco facility. The meeting went well and R. Patton indicated that Synagro wants to avoid litigation and wants to work it out and he has directed his staff to prepare a proposal that would be acceptable to our requirements.

R. Delo continued and stated that the Authority has had discussions with the NYSDEC regarding the recycling bin grant, which expires at the end of this year. The NYSDEC has rethought their answer of not renewing our contract and now feel that since the Authority has been doing a good job about getting the bins and now will honor the extension.

R. Delo stated that a draft of the budget is prepared and would like the Budget Committee to schedule a meeting next week.

C. St. Lawrence requested that R. Delo call K. Zebrowski first since he is working on the County budget at the same time and schedule the meeting around his schedule.

R. Delo agreed.

C. St. Lawrence stated that if things work out with the new operator and things continued at the present level what is the feeling of counsel and Authority members on providing mutual release to the present operator and not have to get into litigation?

R. Delo answered that he feels that the Authority should wait until the bids come in.

C. St. Lawrence questioned the performance bond ending at the end of the year what happens then?

T. West answered that the performance bond is renewable and based on the information in the RFP the Authority needs to review this bond and if a decision is made to pursue Miele Sanitation, the Authority can reserve our rights under the performance bond.

Item #5

Resolution No. 38 of 2002
Authorizing the Awarding of a Contract to Realife Land Improvement, Inc. for the
Erection of a Composting Demonstration Garden

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority (the “Authority”), is a public Authority Corporation, duly organized and existing under Title 13-M of the public Authorities Law of the State of New York, and,

WHEREAS, the Authority has duly advertised for bids for the erection of a composting Demonstration Garden at its facility, and,

WHEREAS, on October 16, 2002 the proposals of seven bidders were opened and read at the office of the Authority, and,

WHEREAS, William F. Cosulich Associates, P.C., the Authority’s engineer consultant, has reviewed the bid proposals of each of the bidders, and

WHEREAS, the lowest bidder was Realife Land Improvement, Inc. of Patterson, NY in the sum of \$138,500., and,

WHEREAS, William F. Cosulich Associates, P.C., upon a review of each of the proposals has recommended that the contract be awarded to Realife Land Improvement, Inc. and,

WHEREAS, William F. Cosulich Associates, P.C. has contacted several references provided by Realife Land Improvement, Inc. which references have each indicated satisfactory performance of its work of a similar scope and mature, and now therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that Realife Land Improvement, Inc. be awarded the contract for the erection of a Composting Demonstration Garden on its facility for the sum of \$138,500, and be it further,

RESOLVED, a Notice of Award be sent by the Authority to Realife Land Improvement, Inc. and it is still further,

RESOLVED, that the Authority cause a contract for execution of the Composting Demonstration Garden to be prepared for Execution by the Authority and by Realife Land Improvement, Inc. providing for, among other things, the issuance of appropriate insurance and a performance bond by Realife Land Improvement, Inc.

T. Dusanenko questioned where would the garden be located?

R. Delo stated that the location is just south of the greenhouse in Hillburn.

T. Dusanenko questioned if there are any grants for this project?

R. Delo answered 50% grant funding from the EFP.

T. Dusanenko questioned how many visitors a year are going to benefit from this garden?

R. Delo answered in the thousands. All the students that visit our facility and all the backyard-composting people that is already in the hundreds. Having this area R. Delo feels that it will bring even more people to our facility and they will take advantage of our services.

H. Phillips questioned if Cornell Cooperative Extension is working with the Authority?

R. Delo answered yes, the Authority has a agreement with Cornell and they are running our program and assisting the Authority in the education program and Cornell has reviewed the design and has had signification input on the design.

T. Dusanenko questioned the \$138,500 is for services or building?

R. Delo answered that the project includes re-grading, structures (gazebo, and covered shelters).

T. Dusanenko questioned if this area is going to show how different products grow using our compost?

R. Delo answered yes.

Motion to Approve
Phillips/Holbrook Unan.

Item #6

R. Delo stated that Item #6 was covered in last night meeting.

H. Marshall questioned the Sullivan County Agreement that there is no sum?

R. Delo stated that it is to be negotiated.

C. St. Lawrence stated that when he and R. Delo went to visit Sullivan County they were given the price of \$43/ton for the 1st year and the remaining years of a 5 years contract are to be negotiated. There are some put and pay options that would allow the Authority

to sell off some space. Sullivan County is ready to give the Authority 100,000 tons a year and the Authority is looking at putting half on put and pay and the other half sold off at a possible higher rate and give 50% of the higher revenue to Sullivan County.

New Business

R. Delo stated that in the packets there are ongoing letters with Miele Sanitation and Miele's investigative reporter is in our office on a weekly basis and the Authority has been featured weekly in the newspaper.

Motion to adjourn
Jobson/Marshall Unan.

Respectfully Submitted,
Camille Guido