

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
MONMOUTH COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Thursday, March, 19, 2015

Monmouth County Agricultural Building

4000 Kozloski Road, Freehold, NJ

I. Meeting Opening – Open Public Meetings Announcement

The meeting was opened at 8:00 PM by Chairman Johnson. It was announced the meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

Members Present: Boodey, Branch, David, Johnson, Lomangino, McArthur, Posten, Snyder, Straus, Throckmorton

Member Absent: Snyder

Staff Present: Metzger, Newman, Johnson

Counsel Present: Jodi Howlett, Esq.

There was (1) correction to the minutes of January 15, 2015 – David was absent for that meeting, correction noted. On a motion by Posten seconded by Throckmorton and approved unanimously, the minutes for the January 15, 2015 meeting was approved.

Atlantic Tree Reality, LLC application was voted on. Branch recused himself, Throckmorton made a motion to vote Straus seconded, the vote was: Boodey – NO, David – NO, Johnson – NO, Lomangino – NO, McArthur – NO, Posten – NO, Straus – NO, Throckmorton – NO. The application will be forwarded to the Freeholders with a unanimous NO vote.

I. Regular Business

Newman addressed the need to streamline the SWAC by-laws by updating the procedures for Class B, C, & D applications. He asked SWAC members to think about this until the next meeting where he hopes to share ideas.

Food Waste recycling is a great way to reduce waste to the landfill, Newman announced that he and staff have a meeting set up with Monmouth University to explore the possibility of doing an in vessel composting program utilizing food scraps from the dining halls at the university. This would dramatically reduce the carbon footprint and would allow them to produce a natural resource.

Metzger reported that she and Newman attended a Senate hearing with the Environment & Energy Committee in Trenton along with several recycling community representatives on the problem of disposal of computer and electronics. Some representatives testified on their problem of disposal for these materials. Some of the towns in South Jersey were forced to abandon their programs collecting old TV's and computers. Monmouth County is in a better place right now with the recycling program because of their vendor, Monmouth Wire & Computer Recycling.

Newman spoke about the NJ Clean Communities Conference coming up May 20 – May 22nd in Long Branch. A lot of work is going into planning for this large event. Newman and Johnson have been meeting with the City of Long Branch, and the Monmouth County Parks' personnel to make this a successful conference.

Newman also reported that Johnson has been busy with cleanups and also working with the Monmouth County Sherrif's office using inmates for roadside cleanups.

There being no further business before the council, and no one else wishing to speak, it was duly moved, seconded and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 pm.