

**Town of Seneca Falls Waste Management Advisory Committee  
November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Waste Management Advisory Committee held a regular meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the Seneca Falls Town Offices. Town Supervisor, Greg Lazzaro called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Members present were: Greg Lazzaro, Matt Blair, David Pannucci and Barb Reese. Guests were: Dan Emmo, Kyle Black, Dan Babbitt and David Lee Foster.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Barb Reese asked for permission to obtain totes from the Highway Department to be used for the proposed composting project. Supervisor Lazzaro asked that Barb first speak with the Town Attorney as well as the Town Zoning officer regarding the legalities before continuing further with the project. A discussion followed and Mr. Lazzaro maintained that Barb Reese and Dan Babbitt are volunteers for this project and in his position as Town Supervisor he needs to be sure that all municipal laws and procedures are being followed. Barb agreed to get in touch with the Town Attorney and the Zoning Officer to get permission to go forward and advertise the program. Mr. Lazzaro wondered if people would truly be willing to drive across town to drop off their food waste. Dan Babbitt said they have people who are registered and they will be the ones to be using the drop off site. Barb noted that 23 people are registered now.

A motion was made by Barb Reese to approve the minutes from the September 2017 and October 2017 meetings. The motion was seconded by Matt Blair. The minutes were accepted as presented, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Barb Reese noted that other Counties in our area have Transfer Stations/Recycling centers that accept such items as food waste, household & hazardous waste and electronics. Barb said there are grants available from the DEC to help with these programs. Barb asked if there is any interest on this committee to look into this. Matt Blair stated that it is up to this committee to make recommendations regarding how to proceed. Matt would like to see vermaculture investigated further. He feels that we could have a larger scale operation with vermaculture and it would also benefit the community right away. Matt said that this will be a major endeavor. David Pannucci said it may benefit the Town to hire a consultant for this. Mr. Lazzaro noted that the Town needs to address infrastructure issues immediately. He feels that we need to fix the infrastructure in order to attract economic development in Seneca Falls.

David Lee Foster joined the meeting as the discussion was coming to an end. At this time, Barb Reese was able to ask Mr. Foster about the legalities of going forward with the drop off site. Mr. Foster responded that the site is not a Town owned or sanctioned operation,

therefore, a disclaimer needs to be added to the Town's website where the registration form is posted. Barb responded that she will also check with the Town's Zoning officer for his input.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM. The next meeting will be held on December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 4:30 PM at the Seneca Falls Town Office Building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim DeVay  
Confidential Secretary