

## Monroe County Mill Seat Landfill Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Meeting

July 19, 2016

**Attendees:** Peg Steffan, Gerard Mitrano, Ginny Adams, Barb Robinson, Mike Brown, Dan Dries, Russ Rutkowski, Tim Rowe and guest: Al Turcotte

**Meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Peg Steffan.**

No introductions were needed.

The minutes of the Minutes from January 19, 2016 were approved as written.

### **Operations Report – given by Dan Dries**

- the **tonnages** for the quarter were 116,768 (MSW) for an average of 1,517 tons/day and 38,934 (BUD) for an average of 502 tons per day. The leachate discharged was 4,047,122 gallons and the landfill gas burned in the flare was 101,220,000 scf. The landfill gas burned in the plant was 293,017,000 scf for the quarter. It was down a little because in June the flare was off and the wells were shut down because it was too dry. The O2 level was too high and would burn the pistons in the plant. The power plant generated 13,860,171 Kwh with the engines running 17,390 hrs. 26,086 barrels of oil were saved.

- the **tonnages** for the year to date were 213,026 (MSW) and 52,864 (BUD) for an average of 1,626 (MSW) and 404 (BUD). Still well below permitted average of 1945 tons per day. The leachate discharged was 9,060,240 gallons. The landfill gas burned in the flare was 231,119,000 scf and the power plant used 573,961,000scf. The power plant generated 27,704,242 Kwh with the engines running 34,670 hrs. 52,005 barrels of oil were saved.

- **Reveue Sharing** – for the second quarter were \$484,280.74 to the Town of Riga, \$89,000.00 toward the collection costs, and \$11,676.85 to the Town of Bergen.

- **Capital Projects/Equipment:** West side odor neutralizer was expanded about 1800 feet. An updated blower on the enclosed flare to increase vacuum on the well field was installed. Wetland mitigation south of Bovee Road is pending expansion permit being issued – hopefully this year.

#### **- Community Involvement:**

- Open House is scheduled for Thursday, July 26, 2016.
- Scout day will be at High Acres this year in October.
- WHC – recertification granted for 3 years. Bluebird boxes monitored seasonally
- 2016 events include Churchville Walkabout, Bergen Park Festival, Churchville Lions Country Fair, and a Churchville Concert at the Gazebo was sponsored.

- **Compliance** – No violations

- **Safety** – OSHA recordable injury free since 6/19/2015. 1831 days without a lost time injury

- **Environmental Monitoring:** “ The second quarter sampling activities of 2016 for the Mill Seat Landfill environmental monitoring program demonstrate that landfill perations do not appear to have impacted the water quality of the surrounding area”

-**NYDEC Oversight** –Joe Melito -is on site daily. No issues

- **Notifications** – none. The fencing seems to help.

**Committee Reports:** no reports were given

It was reported that Cheryl DiNolfo will be at the Open House this week.

**Expansion: given by Russ Rutkowski**

- The Wetland Permit is with the DEC – easement language is finalized. A few tiny changes were made to tie down some dates for RG5 and RG7
- Barb Robinson expresses an interest in seeing a chart of the wetlands on the property.
- The Federal Permitting is in the process of being written in correlation with the Engineering Permit. It goes to the Feds first – then to the DEC. It is expected any day now.
- Air Quality situation is on-going– additional information was supplied on August 22. It goes from the DEC to EPA and then to the Feds, etc. The final application should be done by end of the year.
- WM construction for 11 acres on SE corner of the landfill will start next year in 2017. The mitigation process should also start by next year.

Peg Steffan asked how many more feet upward the landfill can go? Russ said it could go up 40 feet higher on the hill. Then construction will move below – by November the new cell will be approved and then the hill will not go any higher.

Peg Steffan encouraged as many people as possible to come to the Open House and stay as long as you can between 3-7pm. The “punch card” for the Open House was shown. Peg said it was incredible that we can host over 1000 people and that neighbors and townspeople look forward to the event.

Tim Rowe said the landfill never really affected people’s life.

Tim Rowe asked about the Power Plant expansion – Russ noted the EPA has essentially put a “Nix” on it. It probably won’t be pursued for awhile. The EPA came out with a new set of Title 5 rules – Waste Management is well above the thresholds in place.

Al Turcotte said that the change to the compressors has helped the noise situation.

The next meeting will be held on October 18, 2016.

**As there was no further business to discuss, Peg Steffan closed the meeting at 6:27pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Martz  
CAB Recording Secretary