SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE Feb. 20, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

George Dix Jamey Latchem George Linville James Rosenberg George Tasker

Others present were:, Mike McClung – Recycling Coordinator, Bob Keenan – Recycling Crew Leader, T.J Morris – Landfill Foreman, and Tami Stambaugh – Office Assistant IV

- INTRODUCTIONS Bob Kennan, Recycle Crew Leader, was introduced to the board.
- COMMISSIONER'S TOUR On January 15, 2019 the County Commissioners and staff met at the Worcester County Jail to board a bus to travel to the Homeowner Convenience Center in Berlin on Flower Street. John Tustin gave commentary on the background and history of the Solid Waste operations in Worcester County. From there they went to the Recycle Center at Wal-Mart in Berlin. While there, they saw a crew from Recycling cleaning up dumped material (trash) which led to a discussion of operational challenges for the staff. Then they traveled to the Central Landfill and the Recycling Facility. Afterward they drove back to the Jail for lunch and discussion.
- CELL 4/CELL5 UPDATE –Cell 5 opened for refuge on January 29, 2019. To date there have been 350 vehicles with 1,200 tons of trash. Construction material is still being taken to Cell 4. Once there is approximately eight feet of fluff layer on Cell 5 it will be open for demolition.
- TONNAGE REPORT We are presently working on the Solid Waste Tonnage Report which is due the end of February.
- MRA TONNAGE REPORT The MRA Tonnage Report is due the end of March. A 20% recycling rate is required. For 2017 we had a 33% recycling rate.
- COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD There was discussion on the illegal dumping of trash at the Wal-Mart and Bishopville Recycling Centers. Also, there was a discussion on disposing of Styrofoam. As of this time Styrofoam is not recyclable and if thrown in with the recyclables it contaminates the entire load.
- NEXT MEETING The next meeting will be held at the Solid Waste Division on Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at 9:00 am.