



Solid Waste Committee

Committee Meeting

60 Central Ave.
Cortland, NY 13045
<http://www.cortland-co.org>

~ Agenda ~

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

11:00 AM

Room 304

CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Committee Chair Donnell Boyden	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Board Member George Wagner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Board Member Mary Ann Discenza	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Board Member Douglas Bentley	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Vice Chair Ronald J. Van Dee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Board Member Michael K. Barylski	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Board Member Paul Heider	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

MINUTES

Solid Waste Committee - Committee Meeting - Jul 10, 2018 11:00 AM

RESOLUTIONS

Landfill/Solid Waste

Recycling

ON MOTION OF BOYDEN

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Authorize the Chairman of the Cortland County Legislature to Request State Intervention to Relieve Recycling Mandates

WHEREAS, the County of Cortland operates a solid waste transfer station through a lease with Casella Waste Management and is required to comply with the numerous and complicated set of regulations imposed by New York State Laws that police their operations, including a significant set of rules pertaining to recycled materials, AND

WHEREAS, recycling has become a world-wide commodity in which China, the largest buyer of recycling materials in the world, has recently enacted a number of policies that effectively restrict the amounts and kinds of recycling exports from the United States to China, AND

WHEREAS, these restrictive policies are causing the cost of disposal of recycled materials to municipalities to increase to a point where the cost of disposing of recycled materials have exceeded and are now approaching our tipping fees for regular trash, AND

WHEREAS, these world events are causing unsustainable cost increases of recycling material disposal for municipalities, AND

WHEREAS, the world-wide commodity situation for recycled materials is unlikely to change in the short-term, AND

WHEREAS, the disposal of recycled materials previously provided municipalities a small revenue stream, but current events now make their disposal a growing cost to municipalities, AND

WHEREAS, raising tip fees and other costs associated with recycling often has detrimental environmental effects such as "dumping" on both private and public lands, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Cortland County Legislature formally requests New York State, the Governor and any relevant executive departments to re-evaluate current laws, policies and administrative interpretations in order to relieve the added and growing costs of processing and disposal of recycling materials, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that this legislative body requests that New York State either relieve mandates relating to single-source recycling or provide municipalities with a subsidy to, at a minimum, offset the current losses being incurred by municipalities who properly dispose of recycling materials, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that this Legislature authorizes the Chairman to communicate this resolution to all relevant federal, state and local elected officials, the Association of Towns, and the New York State Association of Counties.

ON MOTION OF BOYDEN

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Budget Transfer - Solid Waste Division - Highway Department

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Legislature has approved the County Solid Waste Budget for 2018, AND

WHEREAS, the actual costs for the single stream recycling program performed by Tompkins County Recycling, LLC through June 2018 are \$199,734.90 and have expended the majority of the \$220,519.00 budget appropriated in the 2018 Budget for Casella Management Services, AND

WHEREAS, the average monthly cost for single stream recycling during 2018 equals \$33,289.15, there are insufficient funds in the remaining 2018 Casella Management Services Budget for the second half of 2018, AND

WHEREAS, the actual costs for electronics recycling performed by REACT through June 2018 are \$20,000.98, thus the expected annual costs to conduct electronic waste recycling are projected to be less than the \$65,000.00 appropriated in the 2018 Budget, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that as a stop gap measure with the recommendation of the Cortland County Solid Waste Committee the following budget transfer is hereby approved, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized to amend the 2018 County Budget as follows:

Increase

Expense:		Original Budget	Change	Final Budget
EL81615.54055	Casella Management	\$220,519.00	\$20,000.00	\$240,519.00

Decrease

Expense:				
EL81615.54055.REACT	REACT Professional Services	65,000.00	(-\$20,000.00)	\$45,000.00

OLD BUSINESS

DISCUSSION/REPORTS

1. Proposed Soil and Water Conservation District Partnership for Review of County Solid Waste Operations
2. Committee Update Regarding Environmental Facilities Corporation Funding
3. Solid Waste Department Report August 2018
4. Solid Waste Annual Disposal Summary July 2018
5. Recycling Statement Summary-Aug 2018