



GLOW Region Solid Waste Management Committee

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March 23, 2018
10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Daniel Pangrazio; Felipe Oltramari; Brenda Donohue; Catherine VanHorne; Gary Maha, John Hilchey, Jerry Davis, Roberta Curry, Jay Gsell

Others Present: Margaret C. Grayson; MacKenzie Osypian, NYSDEC; Carl Hyde, Town of Bethany; Samantha Redden, Genesee ARC; Paul Saskowski, Genesee ARC; Yasmin Guevara, NYSDEC

Mr. Pangrazio called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. He asked those present to introduce themselves.

I. Approval of Minutes: Mr. Pangrazio asked for a motion to approve the January 26, 2018 minutes. **Mr. Maha moved to approve the minutes of January 26, 2018, seconded by Ms. Curry and carried.** (7 ayes, 0 nays)

II. Treasurer's Report: Ms. Grayson reviewed the billing summaries. The total of the December 2017 invoices was \$11,797.52. Retirement benefits of \$5,690.00 were paid in December. She noted that, due to the state fiscal year the first quarter for retirement is/was paid in March and the last three (3) quarters are paid in December. Other expenses were normal office expenses, salary, and fringe benefits and the GLOW/NY Recycles advertisements. At the end of December GLOW had expended \$114,143 representing 91.48% of its 2017 budget. The end of the year fund balance was \$281,975. Ms. Grayson noted that her records match the Genesee County Treasurer's office figures for the end of the year and the start of the new year. Ms. Grayson stated that January 2018 invoices total \$5,071.66. These invoices represent normal salary, fringe benefits and office expenses. She noted that both January and February rent and the \$2,100 payment to Genesee County for financial services and the completion of the AUD will be on the February invoice as Genesee County has not processed them yet. January expenses represent 3.9% of the 2018 budget. Ms. Grayson informed members that all of the 2018 county contributions have been received, along with the 2017 MWR&R grant reimbursement of \$36,433.95. The reimbursement of \$3,061.30 for eligible expenses under the supplemental electronic grant is being processed by DEC and the grant for the 2017 household hazardous waste collection grant is expected to be approved in the next few weeks. A reimbursement request in the amount of \$13,469.96 will be submitted as soon as that approval is received. **Mr. Hilchey moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Ms. Donohue and carried.** (7 ayes, 0 nays)

III. Annual Update Document (AUD): She noted that the Genesee County Treasurer's office has completed the State required Annual Update Document (AUD) on GLOW's behalf and it is in sync with GLOW's numbers. The highlights are as follows: total cash assets were \$298,344 (down \$17,860 from 2016) , the unassigned fund balance was \$281,274 (up by \$12,607 from 2016), State revenue received was \$52,500 (up

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\$6,253 from 2016), total revenues were \$127,451 and expenditures were \$114,845 (up \$308 from 2016). The report has been emailed to the Livingston and Wyoming County Treasurer's offices.

IV. 2018 Household Hazardous Waste Collection: Ms. Grayson explained that she sent letters out asking for pricing for solid waste and tires for pricing and that she contacted Churchville Fire Equipment to see if they were interested in taking fire extinguishers once again. **A) Solid Waste:** Ms. Grayson told members that only one proposal, from Waste Management, was received. The cost of the roll off, liner, tipping fees and surcharges is estimated to be \$615.06. **Mr. Hilchey moved to award solid waste services to Waste Management, seconded by Ms. VanHorne and carried. (8 ayes, 0 nays)** **b) Tires:** Ms. Grayson explained that HTI of Lockport submitted a proposal of \$650.00 flat fee (\$25.00 higher than 2017), plus a fuel surcharge (14% in 2017) for an estimated total cost of \$741. Waste Management would charge \$425 per haul, \$350 for personnel, \$225 per ton and 23.6% in various fees, bringing the total to approximately \$2,075. Ms. Grayson noted that under the HTI proposal the breakeven point at \$4.00 for each tire would be 186. **Ms. Curry moved to award tire disposal services to HTI, seconded by Mr. Maha and carried. (8 ayes, 0 nays)** There was some discussion on what to charge residents for tires. The consensus was to charge \$5.00 each, thereby lowering the breakeven point and making it easier to make change. **c) Fire extinguishers:** Ms. Grayson said that she contacted Churchville Fire Equipment to see if they would once again be willing to pick up fire extinguishers that were accepted from residents and what they would charge. They are willing to do it for \$5.00 each, as they did in 2017. She also contacted Tony Santoro, Director of Wyoming County Emergency Management Services to see if he wanted to look at what came in and could use for training and he said yes. **Ms. VanHorne moved to award fire extinguisher disposal to Churchville Fire Equipment, seconded by Mr. Oltramari and carried. (8 ayes, 0 nays)** **d) Lead Acid Vehicle Batteries, propane tanks and propane canisters:** Ms. Grayson said that she contacted Ed Arnold Recycling and asked if they'd once again be willing to drop an empty container for vehicle batteries, propane tanks and propane canisters the day before the collection and pick it up the Monday after the collection, filled with what residents brought. They agreed and once again there would be no charge to GLOW. There was some discussion on Ed Arnold's generosity to GLOW over the years and the fact that some recognition is due. Ms. Grayson was asked to come up some ideas for a tribute and report back to the Committee. She readily agreed. **Ms. VanHorne moved to award fire extinguisher disposal to Churchville Fire Equipment, seconded by Ms. Donohue and carried. (8 ayes, 0 nays)**

V. Electronics Collection: Ms. Grayson noted proposals were received from EWaste+ of Victor and Sunnking of Brockport. Sunnking offers one set of pricing if GLOW charges residents and lower pricing if GLOW doesn't charge. Pricing by EWaste+ isn't dependent on whether or not GLOW charges but is higher than either of Sunnking proposals. Discussion centered on Sunnking and the difference in pricing and whether or not GLOW should charge residents. Flat screen (LED, LCD and plasma) TVs and monitors would be \$.05/lb. vs \$.15/lb. and \$.20/lb. vs \$.35/lb. for CRT TVs and monitors. All other charges are the same. There is expected to be some State grant funding this year but the percentage won't be known until all eligible 2018 collections are submitted in January of 2019. Ms. VanHorne pointed out that GLOW has enough of a fund balance to do it without charging in 2018 but in future years the issue will have to be reconsidered. Ms. Grayson added that the three (3) electronics collections that Wyoming County is holding on May 12 may reduce the amount that comes in to GLOW. She also noted that she would have to see if the Wyoming County Highway facility is available to use on September 29 because Sunnking is not available to do it on September 22. The consensus was that GLOW should not charge but limit residents to four (4) CRT TVs and monitors like State legislators do when they sponsor collections. Ms. Grayson said, per the last meeting, she checked with Sunnking on the possibility of doing a collection in Livingston County, working with a State legislator from that area (Senator Cathy Young or Assemblyman Joe Errigo) but Sunnking has most of their spots for the year booked and GLOW doesn't have enough in its budget to do a second collection. Ms. Donohue said she contacted Senator Cathy Young's office about assisting GLOW with a collection and was told all they would pay for was advertising and not disposal/recycling costs. **Ms. VanHorne moved to award electronics**

recycling to Sunnking, under the “no charge to residents” proposal and with a limit of four (4) CRTs, seconded by Ms. Donohue and carried. (8 ayes, 0 nays)

VI. Advertising Campaign: Composting: Ms. Grayson reminded members that in 2017 the composting ad was moved to May so that the new Compost Demonstration Site at Highbanks Camping Area could be promoted. Ms. Grayson passed around a draft of the advertisement and costs of the ads. The only changes from the 2017 ads are the addition of the drawing dates. The cost of the ads will be \$950.30. The cover letter of the packet will tell people that in addition to the packet and having a chance to win the Earth Machine composter, by visiting the Letchworth site and completing an enclosed postcard with questions related to the site, they will be sent post-it notes and be given a chance to win a scrap bucket. Ms. Grayson also told members that she has not been successful in obtaining an Earth Machine Composter from Orbis to give away in response to the composting advertisement. Fortunately Erie County is holding a sale of Orbis products (rain barrels, composters and other related items) and she can get them for \$50.00 each. She would like to purchase four (4) so that we are set for the next four (4) years and has checked the budget to be sure there is enough allocated for them and there is. The best way to do, so tax is not charged, is to put the order under GLOW. The consensus was to go ahead and purchase four (4) at \$50.00 each. Ms. Grayson also asked for permission to purchase 800 recycled pop bottle pens. Approximately 600 will be used for the household hazardous waste collection and the others given away at presentations to small groups, etc. Funding for these pens was allocated in the 2018 budget. Members agreed.

VII. County Updates. Genesee County: Town of Batavia Proposal: Ms. Grayson told members that a representative of a developer has approached the Town of Batavia about a project that includes systems that burn municipal solid waste (MSW) to produce energy. They are cogeneration systems. It would be a pilot project and they want to start with 10 acres, located on private land behind the current town offices. They are calling it an Eco Center that could combine manufacturing, retail, entertainment, education and housing. Ms. Grayson said she called the town and spoke to Bruce Gerould, Building Inspector who told her that they have no printed information, they have no business card for Christopher Wilson, the person that made the presentation, they have no web site address. He told her that the information is very general at this point and there was no mention of recycling at the meeting. She said she explained to him that GLOW has a private project review process, 78% of the private landfill space is in Western/Central NY, there is an incinerator proposed for Romulus, NY, and that these facilities need to be fed and that she is concerned about the impact that a facility like this could have on recycling in the region. **Town of Bethany:** Ms. Grayson asked Mr. Hyde if he wanted to give an update on Bethany’s transfer station. He told members that they will be getting a separate container for bagged recyclables. The cost to residents will be \$4.00 per bag, the same cost as a bag of garbage. He explained that the transfer station is currently losing money and if it doesn’t break even it will have to be closed. This opened up discussion about long standing problems with the operation of transfer stations, markets, getting people to recycle and the State’s role in assisting municipalities to improve the situation.

Livingston: Nothing to report

Wyoming County: Ms. Grayson reminded members that Wyoming County is hosting three (3) electronics collections, for Wyoming County residents, on May 12, from 9 a.m. to noon, no appointment required. They will be located at the Town of Attica Highway Department, Perry Warsaw Airport and the Town of Arcade Highway Department. Senator Pat Gallivan’s office is paying for advertising the events and Town and County Highway employees will be unloading cars. Ms. Grayson said she is helping at the one in Attica.

VIII. Other Business: Solid Waste Management Plan: Ms. Grayson said she is working on it and hopes to have most or all of it finished by the next meeting. Paola Munar-Moreno from Central Office at DEC contacted her a few weeks ago and she’s available to contact with questions.

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IX. Next Meeting – The next scheduled meeting is on Friday, June 22, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Wyoming County Agricultural Business Center, 36 Center St., Warsaw.

X. Adjournment: Ms. Donohue made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m. seconded by Mr. Hilchey and carried. (8 ayes, 0 nays)

Respectfully Submitted,



Felipe Oltramari
Secretary/Treasurer