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# GLOW Region Solid Waste Management Committee

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Caledonia Town office, Caledonia, NY

December 2, 2022  
10:00 AM

Members Present: Daniel Pangrazio, Felipe Oltramari, Brooks Hawley, Jerry Davis, Michael Falk,

Others Present: Margaret C. Grayson, Recycling Administrator

Mr. Pangrazio called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**I. Minutes:** Mr. Pangrazio asked for a motion to approve the June 24, 2022 minutes. **Mr. Falk moved to approve the minutes of June 24, 2022, seconded by Mr. Davis and carried.** (5 ayes, 0 nays)

**II. Treasurer's Report:** Ms. Grayson gave the Treasurer's Report. The total of the invoices paid for June 2022 was \$6,324.93. The expenses were mainly normal office expenses, salary and fringe benefits. At the end of June GLOW had expended \$45,613, representing 28.09% of its yearly budget. The total of the July invoices was \$9,798.13, representing 34.12% of the yearly budget and total expenditures of \$55,411 year to date. In addition to the normal salary, fringe benefits (for 3 pay periods) and office expenses, there was household hazardous waste postage and laminating sheets. The total of the invoices paid for August amounted to \$8,917.22, for a total year to date of \$64,328, representing 39.61% of the 2022 budget. In addition to normal salary, fringe and office expenses there were advertising costs, postcards and postage related to the household hazardous waste collection. September invoices totaled \$10,083.15, resulting in a year to date total of \$74,412, representing 45.82% of the 2022 budget. Besides normal salary, fringe and office expenses there was household hazardous waste advertising and payment for tire disposal. October expenses amounted to \$39,663.90, for total year to date expenditures amounting to \$114,075, which represents 70.25% of the 2022 budget. Outside of normal salary, fringe and office expenses payments to household hazardous waste vendors EEI (\$31,713.34), \$337.25 to Casella Waste Management for the solid waste roll off and \$445.00 to Churchville Fire Equipment were made. Ms. Grayson explained that other than the invoice for the GLOW/NY Recycles advertisement and the Sunnking invoice (\$6,887), November and December's expenses, should be limited to normal office expenses, salary, fringe benefits and three quarters of retirement. **Mr. Davis moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Mr. Hawley and carried.** (7 ayes, 0 nays) Ms. Grayson noted that the grant application and reimbursement for the 2020 Household Hazardous Waste Collection was approved and paid in October and is credited under 2021. The amount is \$14,892.86. The 2021 Household Hazardous Waste Collection grant application was approved in the amount of \$11,926.68 in late October and should be received soon.

**III. Confirmation of GLOW-Casella Memorandum of Understanding:** Ms. Grayson reminded members that Casella, having purchased Arc GLOW's trash and recycling business and facility in August, needed an agreement similar to what GLOW signed with Arc last December for them to be able to obtain a registration from DEC. DEC would not wait until this meeting for the approval, so members were sent an email and asked to voice any objections to Mr. Pangrazio signing it. No one contacted Ms. Grayson with concerns so Mr.

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Pangrazio signed it. A motion to confirm this decision is needed. **Mr. Falk moved to confirm the decision that allowed this agreement to be signed, seconded by Mr. Davis and carried.** (5 ayes, 0 nays)

**IV. Election of Officers for 2023-**Baring any objections from members Mr. Pangrazio suggested the 2022 same slate of officer be nominated. **Mr. Hawley moved to nominate the same slate of officers as 2022, Mr. Pangrazio to remain as Chairperson, Mr. Davis to remain as Vice Chairperson, and Mr. Oltramari to remain as Secretary/Treasurer. Seconded by Mr. Falk and carried.** (5 ayes, 0 nays)

**V. 2023 Meeting Schedule-**Ms. Grayson noted that she emailed a tentative schedule with the meeting packets. It is based on recent year's schedules. The consensus was to hold the January meeting at Genesee County Building 2, March meeting at the Town of Caledonia offices, the June meeting at the Wyoming County Business Agricultural Center on Center St., Warsaw, once again hold the September meeting at Genesee County Park and the December meeting at the Town of Caledonia offices. **Mr. Davis moved to approve the 2023 meeting schedule as presented. Seconded by Mr. Falk and carried.** (5 ayes, 0 nays) Ms. Grayson noted that, as always, she will send the schedule to the counties, municipalities and others that receive meeting notices.

**VI. 2023 Work Program and Budget:** Members reviewed the information. The Work Program is essentially the same as in recent years. Mr. Falk questioned the amount on the household hazardous waste collection. The primary vendor is listed as \$45,000 and then the total with all expenses is listed at \$45,000. There is an error on the total. Ms. Grayson will check it and correct it. The total increase in the budget is 5.69%. Prior to the meeting two (2) members asked why the retirement is so much higher (17.43%) than in 2022. Mr. Oltramari explained that it is because of the number of years Ms. Grayson has been in the system. Mr. Hawley asked about the increase in the advertising line (41.67%). Ms. Grayson and Mr. Oltramari explained that the line includes things like promotional material like the recycled content pens that GLOW purchases for the household hazardous waste program and in 2023 will include the purchase of the two (2) pocket paper folders that GLOW uses for the compost packet that is sent to residents responding to the yearly advertisement. **Mr. Falk moved to approve the Work Program and Budget with the correction on the Work Program. Seconded by Mr. Oltramari and carried.** (5 ayes, 0 nays)

**VII. 2022 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Final Report:** Copies of the Final Report and Executive Summary were distributed. Ms. Grayson reviewed the Final Report for the September 17 event at the Genesee County Highway Facility in Batavia. For those that didn't know or hadn't heard there were some problems with lines and the amount of time many people waited. A major difference was that the Paint Stewardship Law was in effect. Latex paint was accepted, where in the past it couldn't be. GLOW's vendor had to keep anything covered under the law separate and had to pack it a certain way. She explained that GLOW had booked additional residents when all spots were filled 3-4 weeks after they started. Neither she nor the vendor anticipated the potential effect. EEI has been used for 18 years and they have done a great job. The Paint Stewardship Law was a learning experience and things should go better in 2023 in Livingston County. Mr. Pangrazio was insistent that people not have to wait 2 hours to drop off materials. Ms. Grayson said EEI has already made notes to send more employees and fix the process. She also noted that GLOW will be issuing the Request for Proposals (RFP) at the January meeting and that wording will be added to address the arrangements for collection of paint products covered under the law. She explained that she had been contacted by a company called Green Sheen Paint that works with Paint Care. They can either do the collection of covered paint products at GLOW's collection and/or do a separate collection of just those products. The Paint Care fees cover the cost of disposal, like they did at the September collection. GLOW would have to advertise it and use an appointment system using EventBrite, which is what GLOW has use the last two (2) years. She suggested doing a collection in June in Pavilion. Mr. Oltramari stated that paint should be taken out of the household collection. Ms. Grayson stated that a paint only collection and the Sherwin

Williams drop off locations should take some of the load off the full collection but she thinks people will bring it anyway. It may depend on how pricing comes in.

**VIII. 2022 Electronics Collection:** Copies of the Final Report for the September 24 collection in Batavia were distributed to members. Things went well and there were not long lines. She updated members on the situation with the changes in the Electronics Recycling Law that she raised at the last meeting. As of January 1, 2023 recyclers will not be permitted to charge municipalities or residents for materials covered under the law. She contacted DEC but wasn't getting information on how and where residents would be able to dispose of them. So she contacted all 3 recyclers in the area, Sunnking, EWaste+ and Maven. Maven did not respond but both Sunnking and EWaste+ told her that paying for "premium" service is allowed. This is basically what these companies have always done for GLOW-bring in their employees to unload cars, load a semi and take it for recycling. Based on this information in January she will be sending letters to the electronics recyclers and hopefully get responses that will allow GLOW to do a collection.

**IX. Updates. a. 2022 Advertising Campaign:** Ms. Grayson told members that the composting advertisement ran at the end of April and that 65 responses were received, six (6) from Genesee County, thirty three from Livingston County, 19 from Wyoming County and eight (8) from outside of GLW. The GLOW/New York Recycles advertisement ran the second week of November. To date a total of thirty-four residents have responded and been sent ChicoBags-eleven (11) people from Genesee County, five (5) from Livingston, 15 from Wyoming and three from outside of GLW. She had 75 ChicoBags set aside for the program and may receive a few more responses. The total cost of the ads was \$2,729.50. One half of this will be covered by GLOW's MWR&R grant. **b. 2022 GLOW/New York Recycles Program:** This year she repeated what she did in recent years. On November 15<sup>th</sup> she emailed school principals and other contacts a simple one page form asking them, by classes and environmental groups, to tell how they reduce, reuse and recycle. The top eight most comprehensive and innovative classes/groups would receive packets of GLOW's post-it notes. She set the deadline at Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

**X. County Updates: Genesee County-**Ms. Grayson said she found out recently that the Town of Bergen closed its transfer station at the end of 2021. That makes six or seven transfer stations in Genesee County that were able to close because Arc was operating its facility and why it was important for GLOW to provide the Memorandum of Understanding Casella needed to be able to keep running it. **SWCD Tire Collection-**Ms. Grayson said she helped at the tire collection SWCD held in June at the Arc facility in Batavia. They took 2,300 tires, 30% were light truck and 70% were car tires. **New Roll-Off Business-**Ms. Grayson said she followed up on an advertisement she saw for a company called Blue Dumpster in LeRoy. It is owned by the Lathan family. She called, spoke to a secretary (she spoke to Andrew Lathan a few years ago), told her about Genesee County's registration and reporting requirements and sent a packet with forms, information, etc. to them. **Town of Alexander-** Ms. Grayson noted that on Election Day in November, Town of Alexander residents voted on a non-binding resolution on whether or not to keep the transfer station open. The result was 820 to 188 in favor of keeping it open. **Livingston County-**There was some discussion on the sale of Shanks Disposal to Casella. Mr. Falk emailed members about it the previous day. Mr. Wester asked Ms. Grayson to report that the CLEAN (Conesus Livonia) recycling center is running smoothly and that Conesus has rekindled its relationship with Livonia for its operation. **Wyoming County-**Mr. Davis said that they are trying to fix some of the problems with the County program related to Silver Lake. A number of dumpsters will be placed around the lake.

**XI. Other Business: Local Solid Waste Management Plan:** Ms. Grayson distributed the letter with comments related to the draft Plan that she submitted in mid-June and that she received from Albany Staff minutes before coming to the meeting. She told member that she reached out a number of times since June for feedback on it. She had explained in one email that comments were needed prior to this meeting, in time to have a consultant review them and the submittal, and to obtain a price for the consultant to work with Ms.

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Grayson to finish it. There wasn't time to do that. The consensus of members was to contact Ms. Luann Meyer at Barton and Loguidice and obtain said pricing. **Jumping Worms:** Ms. Grayson showed members an article on an invasive species called Asian Jumping Worms. The decimate soil and have been found in Batavia.

**XII. Next Meeting** – The next scheduled meeting is on Friday, January 27, 2023 at Genesee County Building 2 conference room, located at 3837 W. Main St. Rd., Batavia, NY at 10:00 a.m.

**XIII. Adjournment: Mr. Falk made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m., seconded by Mr. Davis and carried. (5 ayes, 0 nays)**

Respectfully Submitted,



Felipe Oltramari  
Secretary/Treasurer