**Solid Waste and Recycling Advisory Committee**

**October 23, 2023**

**4:30pm**

Members present: **Judy Dorsey**, **Kathy Brown**, City Councilor; **Greg Rand, Nancy Rines, John Cameron**, Public Works Director; Kelly Hare, **Public Works Admin.**

1. **Review and approval of 8/24/2023 minutes**

Motion made by Greg and seconded by Kathy to accept the minutes. Vote is unanimous.

1. **Status report regarding community survey and request for election day table staffing**

Judy noted that she and Kathy took the latest version of the survey which Vanessa had and to reflect information the committee was looking for. Greg noted he viewed the survey on social media, and it was “easy to complete.”

Judy will send the survey out via the distribution list in the event some people did not receive the e-blast.

Committee members will be at the Boys and Girls club during the election on November 7 with hard copies of the cover letter and survey to encourage community members to fill it out.

1. **Status report of Hatch Hill** –

Judy reports there is no change.

1. **Progress report on creation of discussion group for possible regional recycling facility**

Judy reports she has reached out to surrounding communities who currently take part in the Hatch Hill Land Fill, (Manchester, Pittston, Randolph, Whitefield, Chelsea, Hallowell, Farmingdale) and found that Manchester is the only community who may be interested in discussing the possibility of sharing recycling facilities with Gardiner. Committee members feel we (the committee) should reach out to these neighboring communities to find out more about their recycling programs and why they are successful. Judy volunteered to do this and will report her findings during the next meeting.

1. Meeting adjourned at 4:53pm
2. Next meeting: November 27, 2023