

Chairman Phillips called to order the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority Board meeting for Thursday, May 21, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. via Teleconference

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Roll call by clerk. There is a quorum.

**Present**

**Chairman Phillips**  
**Commissioner Hoehmann**  
**Commissioner Hofstein**  
**Commissioner Hood**  
**Commissioner Jobson**  
**Commissioner Kenny**  
**Commissioner Kohut**  
**Commissioner Lynn**

**Present**

**Commissioner McGowan**  
**Commissioner Monaghan**  
**Commissioner Moroney**  
**Commissioner Paul**  
**Commissioner Powers**  
**Commissioner Soskin**  
**Commissioner Specht**

**Absent**

**Commissioner Wieder**  
**Commissioner Yeger**

**Staff**

Keith Braunfotel, Jerry Damiani, Jeremy Goldstein, Suzanne Haggerty

**Others**

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**Phillips:** Thank you everybody for calling in today.

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**Introduced by: Hoehmann/Moroney**

**Unan.**

**May 21, 2020**

**RESOLUTION No. 41 OF 2020**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES, MEETING OF  
March 26, 2020**

**RESOLVED**, that the transcribed Minutes of the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority are approved for the meeting March 26, 2020 as recorded by the Clerk and are hereby adopted.

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## **MS4 Annual Stormwater Meeting**

**Damiani:** Thank you, Mr. Chairman. For your review and consideration this evening is the Rockland Green's annual MS4 municipal stormwater report for the reporting period of March 10, 2019 to March 9, 2020. Rockland Green stormwater management plan includes best management practices and techniques to properly manage stormwater discharge through Rockland Green's facilities to meet the mandatory requirements of the New York State DEC and the EPA Clean Water Act. The water bodies that reach Rockland Green discharge into the follows: Hillburn facility lead into the Candle Brook and Torne Brook, Haverstraw facility Cedar Pond Brook and the Clarkstown Facility lead into an unnamed tributary that leads into the Hackensack River. In this report you will find six minimum control measures that the state relies on for entities to comply with. Measure 1 public education and outreach which is through the website and social media platforms. Education outreach is provided by Jen Sheridan. Jen goes out and does presentations to groups and organizations and her past tours at the Hillburn facility. Measure 2 is public involvement and participation which includes activities such as Keep Rockland Beautiful that we support, our household collection and Leadership Rockland. Measure 3 is illicit discharge detection and elimination is managed through annual dry weather inspections with Rockland Green staff and our engineer at Sterling Environmental. We look for any illicit discharge such as water that could impact water bodies surrounding our facilities. Measure 4 construction site and post-construction control. This year Rockland Green didn't have any construction activities taking place or land disturbances. We make sure our contractors have the best management practices in place without disturbing any land. Measure 5 post-construction stormwater management covers our infrastructure related to stormwater, catch basins, rain system and retention basins to make sure they are properly maintained. Measure 6 stormwater management for municipal operations includes pollution prevention and good housekeeping practices which include monthly inspections by Rockland Green staff. Best management practices for housekeeping and sweeping activities that we control for each of our sites.

**Phillips:** Does anyone have any questions on the annual MS4 stormwater report? Is there anyone from the public that would like to speak? Let the record note there are no questions or public comment offered. Do we have a motion to approve the report?

**Soskin:** Moved

**Kohut:** Seconded

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Introduced By: Specht/Monaghan

Unan.

May 21, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 42 of 2020**  
**ACCEPTING PROPOSAL AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONTRACT**  
**TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN THE CONCRETE AND ASPHALT CRUSHING OPERATION**

**WHEREAS**, Rockland Green maintains the Concrete and Asphalt Crushing Operation for the purpose of receiving used and discarded concrete, asphalt, and related materials and processing and crushing such materials to produce a marketable recycled product available for sale in the marketplace; and

**WHEREAS**, the Concrete and Asphalt Crushing Operation is currently operated by O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc. pursuant to an agreement with Rockland Green; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of the Rockland Green's agreement with O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc. was set to expire on February 7, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of Rockland Green's agreement with O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc. was amended and temporarily extended through May 31, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Rockland Green issued Request for Proposals No. 2020-02 on February 28, 2020 for operation, maintenance and marketing services for the Concrete and Asphalt Crushing Operation and for the bulk purchase of product, each to commence on June 1, 2020 following the expiration of the Rockland Green's existing agreement with O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 2, 2020, one proposal was received from O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, Rockland Green's Evaluation Committee evaluated the proposal, submitted written clarifications to, and conducted telephonic interviews with O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, Rockland Green's evaluation committee evaluated the proposal and clarifications and, taking into consideration the technical evaluation factors set forth in the request for proposals, including qualifications and experience, and price, the Evaluation Committee determined that O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc. provided a proposal demonstrating its capability to perform the operation, maintenance and marketing services pursuant to the Operation and Maintenance Agreement for a reasonable price, and as such is an advantageous proposal; and now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Interim Executive Director of Rockland Green is hereby authorized to negotiate with O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc. and, if negotiations prove successful, execute an Operation and Maintenance Agreement for the Concrete and Asphalt Crushing Operation as generally such services are described in the specifications set forth in RFP 2020-02, subject to review by Rockland Green's Counsel; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Operation and Maintenance Agreement shall be consistent with the agreement, which is presented at this meeting in substantially final form, with such amendments, modifications, changes

and omissions thereto as the Interim Executive Director of Rockland Green may negotiate and approve as in the best interests of Rockland Green and not inconsistent with the terms of this resolution, and the Operation and Maintenance Agreement shall constitute conclusive evidence of the valid authorization hereunder of any such amendment, modification, change or mission; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that Rockland Green in its sole discretion, has the right to discontinue negotiations with O'Sullivan Equipment Inc. at any time prior to the execution of the Operation and Maintenance Agreement and such agreement shall not be binding and valid until executed by the parties.

**Philips:** I am going to ask our Executive Director to give us a brief synopsis.

**Damiani:** Rockland Green had extended with our current operator O'Sullivan Equipment for 13 months now. Rockland Green put out a request for proposal to operate and manage product sales out of the facility. O'Sullivan Equipment was the sole proposer and the evaluation committee negotiated with O'Sullivan and determined a final price for a five-year contract to operate our Concrete and Asphalt Crushing Facility.

**Phillips:** Does anyone have any questions?

**Moroney:** What was the increase on the contract?

**Damiani:** Prior we were paying \$15.45. The negotiated price originally was \$18.50 per share and we are starting our first share off at \$16.50.

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Introduced By: **Kenny/McGowan**

**Unan.**

**May 21, 2020**

**RESOLUTION No. 43 of 2020  
ACCEPTING PROPOSAL AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONTRACT  
FOR THE BULK PURCHASE OF CONCRETE PRODUCT FROM THE CONCRETE AND  
ASPHALT CRUSHING OPERATION**

**WHEREAS**, Rockland Green maintains the Concrete and Asphalt Crushing Operation for the purpose of receiving used and discarded concrete, asphalt, and related materials and processing and crushing such materials to produce a marketable recycled product available for sale in the marketplace; and

**WHEREAS**, the Concrete and Asphalt Crushing Operation is currently operated by O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc. pursuant to an agreement with Rockland Green; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of Rockland Green's agreement with O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc. was set to expire on February 7, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of Rockland Green's agreement with O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc. was amended and temporarily extended through May 31, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority issued Request for Proposals No. 2020-02 on February 28, 2020 for operation, maintenance and marketing services for the Concrete and Asphalt Crushing Operation and for the bulk purchase of product, each to commence on June 1, 2020 following the expiration of Rockland Green's existing agreement with O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 2, 2020, one proposal was received from O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, Rockland Green's Evaluation Committee evaluated the proposal, submitted written clarifications, and conducted telephonic interviews with O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, Rockland Green's evaluation committee evaluated the proposal and clarifications and, taking into consideration the technical evaluation factors set forth in the request for proposals, including qualifications and experience, and price, the Evaluation Committee determined that O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc. provided a proposal demonstrating its ability to purchase concrete product in bulk pursuant to a bulk purchase agreement for a reasonable price, and as such is an advantageous proposal; and now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Interim Executive Director of Rockland Green is hereby authorized to negotiate with O'Sullivan Equipment, Inc. and, if negotiations prove successful, execute a Bulk Purchase Agreement as generally such services are described in the specifications set forth in RFP 2020-02, subject to review by Rockland Green Counsel; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Bulk Purchase Agreement shall be consistent with the agreement, which is presented at this meeting in substantially final form, with such amendments, modifications, changes and omissions thereto as the Interim Executive Director of Rockland Green may negotiate and approve as in its best interests and not inconsistent with the terms of this resolution, and the Bulk Purchase Agreement shall constitute conclusive evidence of the valid authorization hereunder of any such amendment, modification, change or mission; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that Rockland Green in its sole discretion, has the right to discontinue negotiations with O'Sullivan Equipment Inc. at any time prior to the execution of the Bulk Purchase Agreement and such agreement shall not be binding and valid until executed by the parties.

**Phillips:** Jerry can you give us a brief synopsis.

**Damiani:** Under the prior agreement the contractor had the exclusive right to market the material. Under the new tax laws the exposure is limited to the contractor. Therefore, there are two separate agreements, one to operate the facility and one to purchase product in bulk quantities.

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Introduced by: Powers/Lynn Unan.

May 21, 2020

**Resolution No. 44 of 2020  
AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF HORIZONTAL GRINDER  
AND COMPOST SCREENER**

**WHEREAS**, New York State Executive order No. 202 whereby suspending Sections 359-a, 2879 and 2879-a of the Public Authorities Law to the extent necessary to purchase necessary goods and services without following the standard procurement processes; and

**WHEREAS**, Rockland Green requests to purchase a Diamond Z Model DZH6000TKT, track mounted horizontal grinder for the amount of \$962,976.00; and

**WHEREAS**, Rockland Green requests to purchase a McCloskey 733RE Trommel Screener 91142 with Stacker for the amount of \$405,00.00; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, Rockland Green is hereby authorized to purchase a Diamond Z Model DZH6000TKT track mounted horizontal grinder for an amount not to exceed \$962,976.00; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, Rockland Green is hereby authorized to purchase a McCloskey 733RE Trommel Screener 91142 with Stacker for the amount not to exceed \$405,00.00.

Source of Funds: Capitol Fund

**Phillips:** Jerry can you give us a brief history and then how we are moving forward.

**Damiani:** We are requesting to purchase two pieces of equipment. One is the horizontal grinder we are currently renting from Denali WeCare where we paid \$24,000 a month. This was agreed to under the letter agreement of June 2019 with the purchase of the new grinder over the life expectancy of the contract we are looking to save over \$400,000 regarding the horizontal grinder. In the letter agreement the rolling stock is required to be rotated out and based on the evaluation of our contractor Denali WeCare. The McCloskey is more efficient to properly produce beneficial product at the site. We are looking to purchase a trommel screen that will increase the efficiencies from the number of cubic yards per hour that it can produce as well as limit the amount of tailings that is produced. For example, the contractor screened approximately 1,500 cubic yards last week and only generated 241 cubic yards of tailings that Rockland Green pays to dispose of. It only produced 18% of residue out of 1,500 cubic yards. The drum is wider in diameter and it is 33 feet in length, so the material stays longer in the trommel and produces less tailings.

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Introduced by: Hood/Jobson Unan.

May 21, 2020

**Resolution No. 45 of 2020**

**AUTHORIZING RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH  
ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN & RESEARCH  
FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the engineering consulting firm of GHD Consulting Services has been providing Rockland Green with engineering advisory services; and

**WHEREAS**, the principal members assigned the work tasked for Rockland Green, have transferred to Environmental Design & Research (“EDR”); and

**WHEREAS**, EDR has proposed in a letter dated May 5, 2021 to provide such services as listed in Exhibit A of the attached agreement for the year 2020, and

**WHEREAS**, EDR will be compensated for its services for general work at the following hourly rates as listed in Exhibit B of the attached agreement, and

**WHEREAS**, the letter of agreement shall commence upon the execution of both parties and continue until terminated by either party in writing; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Executive Director is authorized to execute the attached agreement to retain the engineering advisory services of EDR in an amount not to exceed \$205,060.00 for the year 2020.

Source of Funds: Engineering # 6506-00

**Phillips:** Jerry can you give an explanation.

**Damiani:** In the past, we have relied on the engineering services of GHD specifically for our biosolids facility. GHD expanded their services to include the Yard Waste Facility. Key principals as well as project engineers left GHD and moved to Environmental Design and Research, EDR. We felt that it was in the best interest of Rockland Green we move over to EDR and have them provide our engineering services for the biosolids facility as well as the Yard Waste Facility. There are some savings associated with the principal hourly rate of a reduction of \$5 per hour. We are saving some money and we are keeping engineers that are intimately familiar with our facilities.

**Phillips:** I like the continuity and we have all worked with Jeff Heath and he has been doing an excellent job. Jeff has always made himself available to us and has given excellent evaluations on different projects. I

think we should stay with Jeff Heath and this new company. I am familiar with this new engineering company and I think they are going to do an excellent job. Are there any questions on this resolution?

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**Introduced by: Paul/Hofstein**

**Unan.**

**May 21, 2020**

**RESOLUTION NO. 46 OF 2020  
AUTHORIZING A RECYCLABLES DELIVERY AGREEMENT  
WITH THE TOWN OF MAHWAH, NEW JERSEY**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mahwah, New Jersey and Rockland Green entered into a short term Recyclables Delivery Agreement (“Agreement”) by resolution 26 of 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, both parties have determined that the delivery of the materials from the municipal residents to the Rockland Green’s Materials Recovery Facility (“MRF”) is mutually beneficial; and

**WHEREAS**, both parties expressed a desire to enter into an agreement for the delivery of such recyclable materials from the Municipality to the MRF; therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Authority Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director to execute a Recyclables Delivery Agreement with the Township of Mahwah, New Jersey subject to all terms and conditions of the Agreement.

**Phillips:** This is new and exciting for Rockland Green. Jerry can you give us some history and where we are going in the future.

**Damiani:** Rockland Green currently has an intermunicipal agreement with the Township of Mahwah which is expiring at the end of the month. In the current agreement, there is no cost to tip. The Township of Mahwah will now incur a tip fee to tip their recyclables. Our team thought the taxpayers of Rockland should not be subsidizing the Township of Mahwah. Under the new agreement we are setting the tip fee where Rockland Green will generate revenue at \$72 a ton.

**Phillips:** This is a good deal. Does anyone have any questions?

**Moroney:** That is a great deal.

**Braunfotel:** Just so everyone understands there was no tip fee in the past because the material was more marketable, and we made money on the market. The market has evaporated to some degree and we are now getting paid to handle it.

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Introduced by: Rockland Green Board/Rockland Green Board      Unan.      May 21, 2020

**Resolution No. 47 of 2020**

**ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR TO  
THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**

**WHEREAS;** on December 12, 2019 by Board Resolution No. 73 of 2019, Chris Day was appointed as Intergovernmental Relations Coordinator for Rockland Green effective as of January 1, 2020 to serve in such capacity at the pleasure of the Board, and

**WHEREAS;** Mr. Day has tendered his resignation for the position of Intergovernmental Relations Coordinator for Rockland Green, therefore it is hereby

**RESOLVED;** the resignation of Mr. Day as designated Intergovernmental Relations Coordinator for Rockland Green be and hereby accepted effective May 18, 2020; and be it further

**RESOLVED;** the Executive Director is hereby authorized to sign and file all necessary forms, returns and documents as may be required statutorily in connection with the above matter and to take all such actions and do all such things from time to time in this regard.

**Phillips:** Chris Day has found another opportunity. He expressed to me his sincere gratitude and appreciation to the Commissioners. He enjoyed his stay with us both as an employee and as a Commissioner. We wish Chris the best of success in his future endeavors.

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**New Business**

Introduced by: Hoehmann/Moroney      Unan.      May 21, 2020

**Resolution No. 48 of 2020**

**AUTHORIZING A RECYCLABLES DELIVERY AGREEMENT  
WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF ALLENDALE, NEW JERSEY**

**WHEREAS,** the Township of Allendale, New Jersey and Rockland Green entered into a short term Recyclables Delivery Agreement (“Agreement”) by resolution 25 of 2015; and

**WHEREAS,** both parties have determined that the continued delivery of the materials from the municipal residents to Rockland Green’s Materials Recovery Facility (“MRF”) is mutually beneficial; and

**WHEREAS,** the parties expressed a desire to enter into an agreement for the delivery of such recyclable materials from the Municipality to the MRF; therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director to execute a Recyclables Delivery Agreement with the Township of Allendale, New Jersey subject to all terms and conditions of the Agreement.

**Damiani:** Similar to the Township of Mahwah's new agreement the Township of Allendale had a similar intermunicipal agreement that was set to expire in June. This has the same terms and conditions as the Township of Mahwah agreement. They will deliver recyclables to our facility but instead of incurring no charge we proposed a \$72 a ton tip fee to cover our costs.

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**Phillips:** Do we have any other new business?

**Moroney:** Thank you Mr. Chairman and thank you to all the Commissioners it is great to hear your voices even though we are not there in person maybe we will get there soon. With the new building in Nanuet, how are we doing with the Education Department and is that facility going to be okay for the future?

**Damiani:** We did receive a feasibility study by Michael Shilale. It outlined what can be done at the new building with renovations entertained to expand the education and outreach prior to Covid-19. Education outreach would be downstairs with a conference room upstairs. The feasibility study will be available to board members and we could have a committee to review.

**Phillips:** Any insights that we will be able to move ahead with an education center there.

**Damiani:** Prior to Covid-19, yes.

**Phillips:** This has thrown a wrench into everything. In a normal situation we would be moving along, but right now probably it would be good to be cautious and see where we are going. I don't even know what schools are saying currently. If you want to move ahead that is something we can talk about. We have a little time. It will eventually happen, but right now we need to move at a much slower pace.

**Moroney:** Mr. Chairman, my interest is more or less if we are happy with the building, I know we are renting with an option to buy. I would like to open it up for discussion to move on purchasing that building instead of paying rent since we have that option.

**Phillips:** When we were negotiating for the rent that is something that we brought up. It probably would be a good move. Is this something we would bond for if we purchased the building?

**Braunfotel:** I think we have enough money to purchase.

**Phillips:** I want to have a discussion with our staff and per Keith we do have enough money to purchase the building outright.

**Braunfotel:** We are going to be doing a lot of bonding with the MRF soon so we may be able to put it all in one bond.

**Phillips:** Why don't we look to see what the benefits are between purchasing or bonding.

**Braunfotel:** We have to give six-months-notice if we are going to purchase. If we want to exercise the option to purchase, I don't know that we can get bonding done in six months and it is only a two-year lease. I think the goal was to purchase and I am not sure about the bonding, but perhaps we could refinance it through bond after we purchase the building.

**Moroney:** Mr. Chairman, may I suggest that you discuss this with Jerry and Keith, and we bring it up at the next meeting.

**Phillips:** I'll ask Jeremy to do a spreadsheet. It sounds like we have time and then we can all look at the numbers and see where we are. Jerry do you want to give us an update on what's going on with operations even into next year.

**Damiani:** We received the expression of interest of the RFEI on alternative waste disposal technology. There were 15 entities that expressed interest to showcase their technology. We started looking at those and researching them and we will be putting out an RFP by the end of the year.

**Phillips:** What technology did you receive; are they waste to energy plants?

**Damiani:** They are a mixture of technologies. Waste to energy, gasification, biomass, pellets and anaerobic digestion. Outside counsel and the outside engineers are looking at them now.

**Phillips:** Jerry and Keith, we have been talking about some of the other counties contacting us on other matters. Let the Board know what we have been approached on.

**Damiani:** Last Friday Kerri Scales received an email from her counterpart in Orange County, Sullivan County and Dutchess County. They are having a problem with their household hazardous waste contractor. They are looking for Rockland Green to step in and provide those services. We are in the process of obtaining information for quantities generated. They are not unique like Rockland Green in having a facility that is open Monday thru Friday with select weekend events. They have two to four events per year and they open a specific site to the residents, and it is scheduled. We are in the process of obtaining that information and we are going to have a discussion with our contractor Clean Harbors to put something in place to try to assist those counties that is also beneficial to Rockland Green.

**Phillips:** What these other Counties would seek to do is to piggyback on our current contract for the Household Hazardous Waste. Our contractor would then go to their county and set up a site. This would

demonstrate the fact that we have cutting edge programs and we are offering services that much of New York State is not right now and the convenience that we have been offering our residents. The Household Hazardous Waste Facility has been an incredible success and very appreciated by the residents of Rockland County.

**Damiani:** The quantities that are generated are less than what is generated in Rockland County. This will be beneficial to Rockland Green. At the same time, it is an example of working together. We can partner with the counties that surround Rockland and work to a common goal.

**Kohut:** Mr. Chairman, is the HHW weekend collection in June scheduled; or will it be postponed again.

**Damiani:** Right now, it is scheduled for the June 14. Clean Harbors is on notice if they implement controls, we should keep it open to assist the residents of Rockland and that includes the paper shredding event on June 6.

**Braunfotel:** We will comply with social distancing and people will be wearing masks on the line and no one gets out of their car. It is perfect for this type of scenario.

**Soskin:** Mr. Chairman, did you say Orange County wants to be a participant?

**Damiani:** Yes, Orange County, Sullivan County and Dutchess County.

**Soskin:** I remember that we had a dispute with Orange County about some money they owed us. I don't know if it was every settled or not. This goes back a few years.

**Braunfotel:** Yes. Years ago, Orange County closed their landfill and threw us out and we instituted action. This was about ten years ago, and we never pursued it other than filing with the courts. I believe in June we were going to recommend that we discontinue with that litigation because it is still on our books.

**Phillips:** This could be a good segue into talking to them about mutually coming up with some type of waste to energy or a better technology that is out there where we have a three or four county facility. This may be a good segue into that because the landfills are evaporating.

**Phillips:** Any other comments?

**Damiani:** Yes Mr. Chairman. I just want to say we have not missed a beat. Staff has worked diligently to ensure that the facilities are operating at full capacity. The staff during this pandemic Jeremy Goldstein and the finance staff have done an excellent job ensuring that invoices and accounts receivable everything has been logged in and turned around quick. Jeremy has a great staff with Rachel Young and Eden Goldman. I would like to thank Kerri Scales for her work related to the branding. Debbie Samuels, Jackie Dodrill, Bracha Gobioff and Joe diFrancesca for their work in making sure that they are available during the pandemic. If you visit our website now at Rocklandgreen.com it is more colorful, cleaner and nicer to the eye. I would also like to thank the operations staff for their commitment on coming in. They are our frontline workers

and they have done a great job reporting through this pandemic. We added controls to minimize any exposure and we will keep on moving forward with those controls as we face this pandemic together. The Operations staff come in day in and day out and they do what is asked of them.

**Braunfotel:** The Commissioners may want to know about how many members of the labor force were affected by Covid-19.

**Damiani:** At one time we were down five at the Transfer Station and Ron Ludwig did a great job on making sure the West Nyack Facility was up and running every day. We saw a reduction overall at different facilities. For example, Clarkstown was down for the month of April compared to 2019 in tonnage. The volume is starting to pick up now. For May the tonnage is up compared to last year by 1.8%. Regarding some of the other projects we are working on, we had our surveyors out at French Farms, and they completed the survey. Yesterday Dee Louis and I met with EDR to come up with a beautification plan to address some of the needs of residents surrounding the facility. We look to bring in natural planting to provide a natural buffer for the facility. We have a landscape architect working on this and we are going to come up with a plan to minimize the view into the facility from the roadway. Our contractor WeCare Denali will provide all the labor and we will provide the rolling stock. Rockland Green will only have to supply products such as trees, plantings and the fill material to address the grade to be down at the facility.

**Soskin:** I just want to say any organization is as good as its' leaders and I would like to compliment Jerry, Jeremy and Keith who are doing a fantastic job. Thank you to the entire staff.

**Phillips:** As we get into June, we will get in touch with everyone because we need to have the June meeting. Jerry anything else.

**Damiani:** Regarding to the MRF demolition schedule we are in Phase 2 now for processing portion of the facility is demolished and swept clean. Protection has been in place regarding the pit and Dee has been overseeing that project. We expect that project to take approximately four to six additional weeks. Completion is scheduled for May 22. I also want to thank Janet Burnet for working on some grants to get some additional funding for outreach through various platforms media, website and video conferencing. I would also like to thank Suzanne Haggerty for coming in when needed.

**Phillips:** Any other questions? Since there are no other questions or comments do, we have a motion to adjourn

**Kohut:** Moved

**Jobson:** Seconded

The meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Suzanne Haggerty