# **NEW HAMPSHIRE ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCILS**

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## WASTE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL Daniel Sweet, Acting Chairman

### Minutes of June 15, 2023 Waste Management Council Meeting Room 112-114 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Members Present:	Vice Chairman Daniel Sweet, Eric Steinhauser, Anthony Belanger,
	Steve Bullek, Chris Blackstone, Mark Gomez

Members Not Present:	Phil D'Avanza, Paula Mouser,
Council Clerk:	Pamela Werner
Council Appeals Clerk:	Conrad Vandlik

**Call to Order:** Daniel Sweet called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM

### Schedule of Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2023, 10:00 AM

Correspondence: None

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

Tony Belanger made the motion to accept the April 20, 2023, minutes with changes, Eric Stienhauser seconded, all were in favor.

New Old Business:

Daniel Sweet signed the New Rules for the Waste Council. Dan Sweet Talked about HB2 and what that would mean for the Councils future roles.

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#### Appeals: Conrad Vandlik

Docket No. 23-05 WMC Appeal of Conservation Law Foundation Subject: Appeal of issuance of a Type II Permit Modification – Approval to Commence Construction of Stage VI, Phase 2 of North Country Environmental Services, Inc. Landfill in Bethlehem NH. Hearing Officer Zachary Towle (appointed by AG on 5/25/23.

On May 11, 2023, Notice of Appeal Filed by CLF, May 16, 2023 Permittee's Objection to CLF's Request for Expedited Hearing and Appearance of Arroyo, May 17, 2023 Appearance of Harrison for DES, May 25, 2023 Appointment of HO, June 02, 2023 Order issued Denying Appellants Request for Expedited review.

#### New Appeals:

None

Division Overview: Michael J. Wimsatt, Director

The Budget was presented to the Governor, and it is now awaiting his signature.

There are 3 Policy Bills.

HB2

HB462 2 million for SWM Fund, 150 grants for food diversion.

HB300 on Food waste,

HB212 Rename PFAS loan fund to PFAS fund. 25 million to fund. Des authority to offset cost of implementing fund activities

Staffing, new program staff in SWMB, 1 new position in UST/AST program. And one in the HWMB. 1 position in accounting that will be solely for PFAS, MTBE and ARPA funds.

Still have challenges with filling open positions.

Mike McClusky is retiring on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Mike started his career in the Solid Waste Bureau. And He has overseen the Brownfields program in the HWMB for years. We want to thank him for all his hard work through the years.

American Rescue plan work continues, and projects are being completed.

PFAS removal program has over 700 applicants.

Take back program for Fire department PFAS compounds will begin. we will be taking back Pfas and have them destroyed.

Waste Management Bills of Interest – 2023 Session January 19, 2023
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Bill #	Sponsor	Description	Status
HB 56	M. Murray	Relative to Permits for siting new landfills	OTP by House.

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ITI'd by Senate

HB 212	R. Rung	Expanding scope of PFAS Revolving Loan Fund and appropriating \$25M in funding	Retained by House Finance, Inc to HB 2 w/changes
HB 226	Parshall	Enabling municipalities to regulate distribution and Disposal of Solid Waste within landfills	ITL'd by House
HB 242	R. Dunn	Relative to banning PFAS in Packaging	Retained by C&CA Committee
HB 253	L. Parshall	Establishing a committee to study extended producer Responsibility	Passed Awaits Gov Signature
HB 273	E. Gallager	Requiring composting and water recycling to be made Available to residents of public housing	ITL'd by House
HB 300	K. Ebel	Prohibiting the disposal of certain food waste	Retained by House Finance Committee. Incorporated into HB2 W/changes
HB 398	W. Thomas	Relative to notice of PFAS and other groundwater contamination prior to the sale of real property	Retained in RR&D Committee
HB 462	K. Eble	Making an appropriation to the solid waste management fund and targeting food waste reduction and diversion	Retained in House Finance Committee. Incorporated into HB2 w/changes
HB 465	K. Eble	Restricting use of PFAS in certain consumer products (carpet)	Retained in C&CA Committee
HB 602	M. Simon	Relative to landfill siting	Retained In E&A Committee

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SB 50	T. Lang	Relative to pharmaceutical drug take-back programs (enabling At and assisted living long-term care, nursing homes, Facilities)	Passed Signed by Gov 06/01/23
SB 61	K. Avard	Relative to surface water setbacks for landfills	passed with amendments by house now at Senate for Concurrence
SB 62	K. Avard	Relative to landowner liability under RSA 147-B, the Hazardous cleanup fund (Terminology -hazardous substance v Hazardous waste material) DES request	Passed awaits Gov signature
SB 123	D. Watters	DES-Request- amends criteria for Establishment of ambient groundwater Quality standards to remove. Conflicting language	Passed signed by Governor 06/07/23
SB 138	D. Ricciardi	Appropriates \$10M To PFAS RLF targeted to grants	OTP by Senate and laid on table
SB 159	D. Fenton	Prohibits permitting of new landfills And "unrestricted" landfills unless Consistent with SW management plan	Passed awaits Gov signature
SB 211	H. Pearl	DES Request- corrects language relative To required procedures to conduct multi- State criminal background investigation Of HW & SW permit applicants	Passed awaits Gov signature
SB 227	D. Waters	Directs DES to contract for assessment Of SW facility setback requirements and Appropriates \$150K.	Referred to Senate E&NR Committee incorporated SB61
SB 267	D. Altschiller	Requires targeted rulemaking for advanced Recycling facilities, including consideration Of Cumulative impacts	OTPA by Senate retained In House Finance

#### Committee

#### **Public Commentary:**

John Tuttle Acworth NH

#### **New Buisness**

Eric Stienhauser made the motion to keep the public comment to three minutes per person. Tony seconded.

Went into nonpublic session with the Council's Lawyer.

Back in session and voted to table the motion. All were in favor. The Council values public participation.

#### Adjourn

Having no further business to discuss Tony Belanger entered the motion to adjourn Steve Bullek seconded. Roll call vote, all were in favor. The Waste Management Council adjourned at 12:17 June 15, 2023.

Respectfully submitted by Pamela Werner, Waste Management Council Secretary. A copy of the audio taped recording of this meeting is available upon request. Please contact Mrs. Werner at (603) 271-2905 for more information.