The following members were present:
Michele Nestor, Chair
Robert Watts, Vice Chair
Gordon Burgoyne
James Close
Timothy Collins (on behalf of Senator John Yudichak)
John Frederick
Leda Lacomba (on behalf of Representative Matt Gabler)
Gregg Pearson
Joseph Reinhart
Shannon Reiter
John Vatavuk
Edward Vogel
James Welty
Randall York
Gerald Zona

The following members were absent:
Eli Brill
Joyce Hatala
Tanya McCoy-Caretti
Timothy O’Donnell
Gary Roberts
Senator Gene Yaw

The following guests and Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) staff members were present:
Dave Allard  
DEP Bureau of Radiation Protection (BRP)
Barbara Baker  
Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCWMA)/Professional Recyclers of Pennsylvania (PROP)
David Buzzell  
Land Air Water Legal Solutions/Pennsylvania Waste Industries Association (PWIA)
Bob Bylone  
Pennsylvania Recycling Markets Center (PennRMC)
Mike Crist  
Clinton County Solid Waste Authority/PROP
Susan Despot  
DEP Office of Chief Counsel
George Fetrow  
DEP South Central Regional Office Waste Management Program
Walt Harner  
DEP Bureau of Waste Management (BWM)
Laura Henry  
DEP BWM/Liaison to the Committee
Larry Holley  
DEP BWM
Mary Keenan  
Webber Associates/PWIA
Alaina Krayeski  
DEP BWM/Recording Secretary
Jim Lambert  
Monroe County Solid Waste Authority
RFAC Call to Order; Approval of Minutes of September 20 and November 5, 2018; Old Business

Michele Nestor, Chair, called the December 12, 2018, Recycling Fund Advisory Committee (RFAC) meeting to order at 12:24 pm.

Ms. Nestor called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2018, meeting. Shannon Reiter made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Jerry Zona; the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Nestor called for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2018, meeting. John Frederick made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Robert Watts; the motion carried unanimously.

Information Item: Act 101 of 2018; Leaf Waste

Larry Holley provided clarification on the language of Act 101 of 2018, which changed requirements for management of leaf waste in the Commonwealth and what the does and does not do. Under the new provisions, 88 municipalities have the option to discontinue their leaf waste management programs. A request was made for DEP to send clarification to Section 902 Grant recipients that the changes do not exempt them from complying with grant provisions.

Act 101 Workgroup: Continued Discussion, Outstanding Stakeholder Priorities

Ms. Nestor kicked off discussions by clarifying the role of the Committee as advisory to DEP; ultimately, the Bureau of Waste Management (BWM) will be providing the final recommendations on Act 101 to the Secretary. Mr. Holley further clarified how the Workgroup’s discussions and recommendations would be used by DEP BWM in the final writeup.

The Committee reviewed the Act 101 spreadsheet to clarify discussions that took place at the Special Meeting and determine the final consensus on its format and content. The spreadsheet was broken into two sections, ‘Consensus Amendments’ and ‘Other Amendments Discussed’. Members indicated they wanted the Stakeholder Priority columns for both categories of amendments to be removed, as well as the justification column for Other Amendments Discussed. Members also discussed moving the ban on open burning to the consensus list.
Ms. Nestor called for a motion to approve the spreadsheet with incorporation of the amendments discussed above. John Frederick made the motion, seconded by Shannon Reiter; the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Nestor then called for a motion to adjourn the RFAC meeting. Randy York moved to adjourn the meeting, and Shannon Reiter seconded; the motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.