The following members were present:

Michele Nestor, Chair  
Robert Watts, Vice Chair  
Gordon Burgoyne  
James Close  
John Frederick  
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

The following guests and Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) staff members were present:

Dave Allard  
Barbara Baker  
David Buzzell  
Bob Bylone  
Timothy Collins  
Mike Crist  
Susan Despot  
George Fetrow  
Laura Henry  
Larry Holley  
Mary Keenan  
Alaina Krayeski  
Leda Lacomba  
Jim Lambert  
Jason Leck  
Amy Mazzella di Bosco  
DEP Bureau of Radiation Protection (BRP)  
Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCWMA)/Professional Recyclers of Pennsylvania (PROP)  
Land Air Water Legal Solutions/Pennsylvania Waste Industries Association (PWIA)  
Pennsylvania Recycling Markets Center (PennRMC)  
Office of Senator John Yudichak  
Clinton County Solid Waste Authority/PROP  
DEP Office of Chief Counsel  
DEP South Central Regional Office Waste Management Program  
DEP Bureau of Waste Management (BWM)/Liaison to the Committee  
DEP BWM  
Webber Associates/PWIA  
DEP BWM/Recording Secretary  
Office of Representative Matt Gabler  
Monroe County Solid Waste Authority  
Pennsylvania Independent Waste Haulers Association (PIWHA) (on behalf of Gary Roberts)  
Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority/PROP
SWAC Call to Order; Introduction of Members and Guests; Approval of Minutes of September 20, 2018 (SWAC); Old Business

Michele Nestor, Chair, called the December 12, 2018, Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) meeting to order at 10:04 am.

Ms. Nestor called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2018, meeting. Shannon Reiter moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Robert Watts; the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Nestor went on to provide some procedural clarifications for the meeting pertaining to the Recycling Fund Advisory Committee (RFAC)/Act 101 Workgroup portion of the agenda. Ms. Nestor indicated that she would call the SWAC to a recess to allow the Workgroup to make its final recommendations on Act 101 to RFAC, then reconvene SWAC to accept the recommendations of RFAC to be presented to DEP.

Information Item: Revisions to DEP’s Guidance Document on Radioactivity Monitoring at Solid Waste Processing and Disposal Facilities

Dave Allard, Director, DEP Bureau of Radiation Protection, provided background information on the development of this guidance. He went on to explain that the document is being revised in response to the boom of the unconventional oil and gas industry in the Commonwealth and the subsequent promulgation of the Chapter 78a regulations for the industry. The proposed changes: 1) cover oil and gas operations; 2) address the disposition of TENORM waste; 3) capture 20 years of lessons learned; 4) reduce duplicative information; 5) provide guidance for non-solid waste recycler operations; 6) improve guidance on environmental monitoring of radioactivity; and 7) compile radiation standards.

Mr. Allard indicated that the Committee could expect to see final language of the proposed guidance in early 2019.

Action Item: Draft Proposed County Recycling Convenience Center and Satellite Station General Permit

Larry Holley, Chief, Division of Waste Minimization and Planning, presented a proposed General Permit that would authorize County Recycling Convenience Centers and Satellite Stations for the collection, storage, and transfer of municipal waste, recyclable material, and construction/demolition waste from vehicles that are not usually used to transport these materials. Convenience centers and satellite stations would be owned by County or local governments but may enter into contracts with private entities for operation. DEP envisioned one convenience center per County, to be fed into by smaller
scale satellite stations. Activities at centers and stations would focus on recycling and more recyclables than waste would be collected. To allow for flexibility in siting, DEP Regional Offices would have the authority to waive permit conditions as necessary. Mr. Holley noted two important differences from previous permit language discussed: 1) applicants can apply for a determination of applicability (DOA) or registration rather than just DOA; and 2) assessment of a $250 application fee.

Members voiced concerns with the current draft of the permit and discussed them at length. Mr. Holley agreed to reevaluate the permit taking the concerns into consideration, and bring a new draft to the next SWAC meeting.

**Discussion Item: Amendment of Committee Bylaws**

Ms. Nestor lead discussion about amending the committee bylaws. The issues to be addressed in the bylaws amendments include granting voting proxy to Recycling Fund Advisory Committee (RFAC) Legislative Alternates; removing RFAC as a standing committee of SWAC and reestablishing it as a separate committee; and adopting separate bylaws are for SWAC and RFAC.

Members voiced their opinions and concerns about amending the bylaws, and DEP indicated that any amendments would need to comply with Act 101. A goal was set to have amended bylaws to discuss at the next meeting.

**Public Comment; New Business**

Ms. Henry reminded the committee that the appointment/reappointment for the Committee is coming up and requested that members seeking reappointment to the Committee submit their resumés to her by Wednesday, December 19.

Ms. Nestor opened the floor for public comment; none were made.

At 11:57 a.m., Ms. Nestor dismissed the committee for a recess to allow for the RFAC meeting.

Ms. Nestor called SWAC back to order at 1:56 p.m.

Ms. Nestor made a motion to approve the RFAC recommendations on Act 101. Robert Watts moved to approve the recommendations; seconded by Joe Reinhart. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Nestor called for a motion to create a Bylaws Subcommittee; moved by Shannon Reiter and seconded by Robert Watts. The motion carried unanimously. Ms. Reiter volunteered to serve as Chair of the subcommittee.

Ms. Nestor then called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joe Reinhart moved to adjourn; seconded by Robert Watts. The motion carried unanimously, and SWAC adjourned at 1:57 p.m.