



NYPenn Chapter of ACHMM

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**Minutes from the July 22, 2009 Meeting
Recorded by Julie Harrington, Secretary
Grande Pizzeria, Binghamton, NY**

Attendees: Julie Harrington, Jerry Gordon, Amy Twiss, Kim Stamberger, Rob Aiello, Tracy Blazicek, John Ruspantini, Brian Donnelly.

Minutes:

Tour of Broome/Tioga Counties Household Hazardous Waste Facility/Landfill – Brian Donnelly, Coordinator. Thank you to Brian for providing the tour and for being our host. Brian discussed how the landfill manages the collection of hazardous wastes; universal waste; oil; and electronics. He gave a history of the landfill, how and when it was started and the progress through time. We were given a tour of the facility and were shown the leach pools, treatment facility, methane burner, compost area, and the landfill “mountain.” Brian discussed how the landfill has changed over time with regulation and the future of the landfill.

Business Meeting at Grande Pizzeria, Front Street, Binghamton, NY:

Read and Adopted minutes from May 12, 2009 Meeting

1. Treasurer’s Report:

- a. Checking Account. The current balance is \$5563.14.
- b. Savings Account. The current balance is \$3355.63.
- c. Outstanding issues: Purchase Quicken
- d. Web hosting package and domain name (nypennachmm.org) were renewed on 5/13/09 for another 5 years at a cost of \$499.95.

2. Website Updates/Teleconferencing Meetings – Tabled for this meeting.

3. Director's at Large Election:

- a. Becky Corbin has previously expressed interest in this position, however, is concerned with the time commitment this position may entail. Kim Stamberger offered to write a paragraph with respect to the position responsibilities to be posted on the website. Previously, the group discussed that this position would not have to attend every meeting. During the current meeting, Brian Donnelly showed interest in the position as well.

4. **Review Course opportunities:**
 - a. NYSDEC has withdrawn their “fall” interest due to state budget constraints.
 - b. SESHHA at Saratoga?
 - c. Bill Perkins has previously suggested waiting until the spring to see if the economy picks up and would be a more opportune time for companies to invest in this training for their personnel.
5. **Board Member visit:** Possibly in early November. Amy Twiss has been in contact with Alison Heron from the AHMP to coordinate such a meeting.
6. **New Members:** We welcomed Rob Aiello to his first chapter meeting.
7. **Workshop Hosted:** Cornell hosted a workshop at Cornell for the one day Lion Technology Class - Managing Hazardous Waste in New York, on Tuesday, June 30th. The group decided to help subsidize cost for members at \$100 of the cost (\$600) for each member in good standing. Those attendees from the Chapter thanked the chapter for the subsidy and remarked that the workshop was very informative and worth the time and cost. Six members took advantage of the chapter subsidy.
8. **AHMP National Conference**
 - a. Amy Twiss, Julie Harrington, Bill Perkins, and Kim Stamberger are planning to attend. Kim Stamberger will attend as the Chapter Delegate as is one of the duties of the Vice President. The group decided that the Delegate should not have to pay for any part of the trip personally, so the Delegate’s trip will be paid in full.
 - b. It was agreed by the group that the Chapter will fund each attending member in good standing \$500 to help defray costs associated with attending.
9. **Digitizing the Secretary’s books.** Jerry offered to utilize his student staff unit to scan and catalog the meeting minutes and chapter historical documentation on the webpage for future use by members for recertification and annual reporting. This project is ongoing.
10. **Increase Membership:** Kim Stamberger proposed an idea as a way to increase membership – Have the chapter sponsor a breakfast at SESHHA Conference in the fall and have a breakfast talk regarding our chapter and the benefits of joining it.
11. **Old Notes to Carry Through:**
 - a. **Reflect name change from ACHMM to AHMP.**
 - b. **Logo change? Should it also reflect the AHMP acronym?**
 - c. **Update on Corporate Sponsorships. The group decided to hold off until a decision about a name change has been made.**
 - d. **Conference Call Service.**
 - e. **Tours/Training.** Others - Jerry Gordon offered the group a tour of the Cornell Lake Source Heating project. Rick Kumpon offered to do a presentation on Vapor Intrusion.
12. **Chapter goals for the year** – position descriptions...Treasurer completed.

Sign-in sheet attached for points maintenance: