



**The City of New York**  
**BUSINESS INTEGRITY COMMISSION**  
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*Commissioner and Chair*

***Minutes of a Meeting of the  
Trade Waste Advisory Board***

Date and time: July, 27 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Location: New York City Business Integrity Commission,  
100 Church St., 20th Floor, New York, N.Y. 10007

*Attendees:*

Business Integrity Commission

Daniel Brownell, Commissioner and Chair  
Noah Genel, Deputy Commissioner of Legal Affairs and General Counsel  
John Curry, Assistant Commissioner of Legal Affairs  
Salvador Arrona, Director of Policy  
David Mandell, Deputy General Counsel for Regulatory Enforcement  
Santiago Mueckay, Policy Analyst (notes)  
Elise Ryan, Senior Legal Analyst

Industry

Ron Bergamini, CEO, Action Carting Environmental Services, Inc.  
John DiNardi, Secretary and Treasurer, D&D Carting Co. Inc.  
Nino Tristani, COO, GPB Waste NY, LLC  
Michele Van Orden, General Counsel, Cardella Trucking Co. Inc.  
Andy Moss, Government Affairs Manager, Waste Connections  
David Biderman, Executive Director, Solid Waste Association of North America  
Christopher Della Pietra, National Waste & Recycling Association  
Kendall Christiansen, Executive Director, New Yorkers for Responsible Waste  
Management (by phone)

Not present

Thomas Toscano, CFO/CLO, Mr. T Carting Corp.  
Steven Changaris, Regional Manager, NWRA

***Discussion Items***

1. Safety –Recent Fatal Incidents
  - a. Ron Bergamini began the meeting by commenting on the fatal collision that took place in Greenpoint, Brooklyn over the weekend involving a private sanitation truck and a bicyclist.

- b. A comment was made about how over the past 10 years there are more bicycles on the road and more bike lanes have been placed on commercial routes.
- 2. Third Safety Symposium
  - a. The date for the third safety symposium is being pushed back to October.
  - b. The new proposed date is October 24, 2017, to take place at 100 Church St. in Manhattan.
  - c. As soon as the venue and the date have been confirmed, BIC will send out a Save the Date flyer.
- 3. Food Waste Fair
  - a. The Food Waste Fair, which was held on Tuesday, July 25 at the Brooklyn Expo Center was a success.
  - b. Many members of the industry were present, as well as various city agencies, and multiple vendors. The feedback that we have received has been extremely positive.
- 4. Decal Update
  - a. BIC is temporarily out of Commercial Refuse and Recycling decals and Organics decals.
  - b. BIC has spoken with DSNY to make sure that DSNY holds off on issuing violations to customers who do not have decals until the new decals are made available.
  - c. BIC will issue a letter of explanation so that customers are not confused.
  - d. BIC spoke to the decals vendor, and the decals should be ready for distribution in mid-August.
- 5. Rate Cap
  - a. The public hearing must take place before October 31, 2017.
  - b. Sal Arrona reminded everyone that organic waste is covered by the rate cap and cannot be charged at a price above the rate cap.
- 6. Customer Register Update
  - a. On Monday, BIC sent a notice about the July 31 deadline for Customer Register submissions.
  - b. John DiNardi made a request for BIC to send the notice earlier, ideally a month in advance.
- 7. Sideguard Rebate Program
  - a. Andy Moss wanted to know about the status of sideguard rebate program funding.
  - b. Sal Arrona mentioned that DCAS and DOT are working on it together and are working on obtaining the federal funding for the next fiscal year.
  - c. There is high demand from the industry to keep the program going.
- 8. Follow Up Regarding the Recycling Training Held by DSNY
  - a. Kendall asked a question about the labeling requirements for set-out containers.
    - i. BIC and DSNY will provide an answer soon.
  - b. Kendall also asked a question about clarification on the requirements for multi-tenant buildings.
- 9. Proposed BIC Rule Changes

- a. A discussion was held regarding a proposed amendment to BIC rules regarding required language in carting contracts.
  - b. BIC is reviewing all comments made during the public comment period and hopes to issue the final version of the rule amendments in the near future
10. There will not be a TWAB meeting in August. The next TWAB meeting will take place on September 28, 2017.