

MINUTES OF MEETING
MONTGOMERY REGIONAL SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
July 23, 2026

Chair Steve Fijalkowski called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Authority's Recycling Center Building and declared the existence of a quorum. Those present were Authority Board members, Mr. Steve Fijalkowski, Ms. Sharon Scott, Mr. Barry Helms, Mr. John Boyer, and Mr. Dwyn Taylor. Also present were Mr. Alan Cummins, MRSWA Executive Director, Dr. Kim Eagle, Christiansburg Town Manager, Mr. Ike Snider, from NRRA, Mr. Adam Slaughter, from NRRA, and Ms. Kim Stafford, MRSWA Administrative Coordinator.

Prior to consent items, Mr. Fijalkowski congratulated Ms. Scott for becoming admitted into the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame.

Consent items were reviewed. There were no changes made to the agenda and no changes made to the minutes of the June 18, 2026, MRSWA Board meeting. Next, Mr. Cummins reported expenses ended the fiscal year at 1.55% above projections. There was \$700,000 transferred into the reserve account for the fiscal year, which was \$342,426 above projections. Mr. Cummins noted multiple invoices, including four from VRSA for Workers Compensation, auto insurance, and property and building insurance. Magic City Sprinkler invoices were for replacing two fire hydrants and the 5-year inspection on the sprinkler system. There were four invoices from WSP due to WSP completing their backlog for billing. The Timberland Mulch & Farm invoice was for grinding brush. Mr. Taylor asked if the Authority had considered purchasing a grinder and performing this task on site. Mr. Cummins said the Authority did this at one time, but it became too much with staffing, maintenance, and expenses, so the grinder was sold to NRRA. He added that NRRA also does not have the grinder anymore. Invoices for Tesla Electric Service were for replacing lights in the facility and the New River Computing invoices were for a Wi-Fi update, bridge replacement, and baler computer replacement with wireless access. June financials were presented for informational purposes. Mr. Cummins reviewed line items that went over budget since it was the end of the fiscal year. One was banking fees because the Authority does not pass the credit card fee to customers and this amount was not budgeted for FY 25/26. Mr. Taylor asked if that should continue to be the practice because it is common for businesses to pass on this fee to customers. He added that Virginia Tech is switching to pass along the fee. Mr. Cummins said he would have the Board discuss this again during the fiscal year 27/28 budget process. Other line items discussed were building repair and maintenance, equipment repair and maintenance and water and sewer services. Mr. Taylor approval of the consent items. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Solid Waste and Recycling Tonnage Reports were reviewed. Mr. Cummins said solid waste tonnage in June totaled 8,001 tons, bringing the fiscal year total to 87,454 tons. This is 563 tons less than last fiscal year, but the fiscal year-end total exceeded budgeted projections by 7,079 tons. Mr. Cummins said Meridian brought in 671 tons of municipal solid waste and 460 tons of construction debris in June. Mr. Fijalkowski mentioned that Mr. Cummins should go into more detail about Meridian with Dr. Eagle during her facility tour after the Board meeting.

Recycling tonnages in June were 468 tons, bringing the fiscal year total to 5,717 tons. This is 357 tons less than last fiscal year and 500 tons under budget projections. The single stream rejection rate was .0% for the month and ended the fiscal year with a rejection rate of .05%. Single stream commodity pricing increased to \$77.92 for July.

Revenues for June were discussed. Mr. Cummins stated revenues ended the fiscal year 5.89% above projections. He said a \$263,487 transfer from reserve funds was made for the monthly front loader payment, the closed landfill road project, two hydrant replacements, baler computer backup, Wi-Fi and bridge replacement, and air conditioning replacements. The recycling profit-loss report showed expenses exceeded revenues by \$36,831. For the year, expenses exceeded revenues by \$165,564. This brought the recycling position to a \$59,057 loss. On a positive note, Mr. Cummins said recycling did beat the budgeted projected loss by \$73,668.

Mr. Snider gave the NRRA report. He said the HHW event at NRRA would be held August 1 and there were still appointments available.

In public comments, Dr. Eagle thanked the Board for inviting her to the meeting and arranging a tour.

In Board comments, Mr. Boyer said Blacksburg plans to slowly transition their electronic recycling program to MRSWA HHW events since MRSWA will begin accepting electronic materials again at their November HHW event. He asked how this would be advertised. Mr. Cummins said the information would be updated on the Authority website, jurisdictional representatives know to spread the word, and customers are told of this change when they call. Mr. Cummins thanked Blacksburg for providing electronic recycling for the past several years since MRSWA could not feasibly provide this service.

Board members unanimously agreed that the next regular monthly meeting of the Authority Board would take place on August 20 2026, at 1:30 pm at the Authority's Recycling Center Building conference room. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

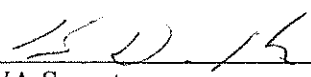
Accepted:



MRSWA Chair

9/17/26

Date



MRSWA Secretary