MINUTES OF MEETING MONTGOMERY REGIONAL SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY May 16, 2024

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. Present were Authority Board members Mr. Steve Fijalkowski, Mr. Barry Helms, Mr. John Boyer, and Mr. Robert Broyden. Ms. Scott participated by telephone. Also present were Mr. Alan Cummins, MRSWA Executive Director, Mr. Joe Levine, NRRA Executive Director, and Ms. Kim Stafford, MRSWA Administrative Coordinator.

At this time, Ms. Scott explained she was unable to attend the meeting in person due to a personal matter, because she was out of town visiting family, but she requested to be able to participate in the meeting by electronic means. Mr. Boyer moved for approval of Ms. Scott's participation and voting. Mr. Helms seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, with Mr. Fijalkowski, Mr. Broyden, and Mr. Boyer all voting in favor. Ms. Scott was then present at the meeting for purposes of a quorum.

The consent items were reviewed next. There were no changes to the agenda. The MRSWA Board minutes dated April 18, 2024, were reviewed. There were no changes. Mr. Cummins reported expenses for April were 1.22% below projections. Mr. Cummins discussed several invoices with the Board. The Webb's Oil invoice was for equipment diesel fuel, the Excel Truck Group invoice was payment for the new yard jock, the McCarthy Tire Service invoice was for recapping tires on the backup front loader and the MXI Environmental Service invoice was payment for the Household Hazard Waste event held in April. The April financials were presented for informational purposes. Mr. Broyden moved approval of the consent items. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Solid Waste and Recycling Tonnage Reports for April were reviewed. Mr. Cummins said solid waste tonnages totaled 8,208 tons, bringing the fiscal year total to 70,487. This is an increase of 4,407 tons over the last fiscal year. Mr. Cummins said jurisdictional solid waste and construction have increased in tonnage. He added that Meridian tonnages continue to look good, and they brought in 1,154 tons in April.

Recycling tonnages were 512 tons, bringing the fiscal year total to 5,184. This is a decrease of 414 tons when compared to last year. Mr. Helms noted the tonnages are below budgeted projections. Mr. Cummins said that this observation was correct and discussed during FY 24/25 budget meetings. Single stream, since inception, has decreased more than expected every year. The decrease has not just been within the member jurisdictions, but also with commercial customers and New River Resource Authority members. The rejection rate for April was .15%, bringing the fiscal year rejection rate to .31%. Mr. Cummins said single stream commodity pricing continues to trend up with the current price at \$92.24 per ton. This is higher than the \$86.95 price last month and per the agreement with RDS, processing fees in May will drop from \$39 per ton to \$33 per ton.

April revenues were discussed. Mr. Cummins stated revenues were 5.58% above projections. A \$24,322 transfer was made for the monthly front loader payment and to pay for a new pretreatment

facility pump. The recycling profit loss report showed revenues exceeded expenses by \$4,394. For the fiscal year, revenues have exceeded expenses by \$6,293. This brings the recycling position to \$85,128.

Next on the agenda was the NRRA-Tazewell County Emergency Agreement. Mr. Levine stated this agreement is like the one NRRA has with the Roanoke Resource Authority. It is an agreement for emergency purposes only should Tazewell County need to use the NRRA for emergency disposal needs. Tazewell County would allow NRRA the same emergency disposal access if needed. Tazewell County would be charged \$3.00 per ton in addition to the gate rate. Mr. Helms moved approval of the agreement. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Mr. Helms, Ms. Scott, Mr. Boyer, My Broyden, and Mr. Fijalkowski all voting in favor of the agreement. No one voted against the agreement.

An Update on PFA's was given. PFA's are perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances. They are synthetic chemicals used in consumer products. These chemicals have been in the news lately with the USEPA leading the way in limiting exposure. Guidelines are being established that could affect landfills by 2027. Mr. Cummins said there may be exceptions to the guidelines which could include landfill pretreatment facilities. The Authority's consultants, WSP and LaBella, are closely monitoring this issue and will keep Mr. Cummins updated.

Mr. Levine gave the NRRA report. He said their next Household Hazardous Waste Event will be held August 10 and their audit process has begun.

There were no public comments.

During the Board comments, Mr. Broyden said his last MRSWA Board meeting will be in June. He is retiring and a replacement has been selected. He said Mr. Dwyn Taylor will be the new Vice President for Campus Planning, Infrastructure, and Facilities. Mr. Broyden plans to bring Mr. Taylor to the June MRSWA Board meeting.

Board members unanimously agreed that the next regular monthly meeting of the Authority Board would occur on June 20, 2024, at 1:30 pm at the Authority's Recycling Center Building conference room. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Accepted:	8/16/24
MRSWA Chair	Date
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MRSWA Secretary	