MINUTES OF MEETING MONTGOMERY REGIONAL SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY April 18, 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, Ms. Sharon Scott, Mr. Barry Helms, Mr. John Boyer, and Mr. Robert Broyden. Also present were Mr. Alan Cummins, MRSWA Executive Director, Mr. Joe Levine, NRRA Executive Director, and Ms. Kim Stafford, MRSWA Administrative Coordinator.

A public hearing on MRSWA rates for Fiscal Year 24/25 was held. The public hearing notice was advertised in the News Messenger on March 27 and April 3, and it was listed on the Authority website and posted onsite. Mr. Fijalkowski opened the public hearing for any comments. There were none so Mr. Fijalkowski closed the public hearing.

The consent items were reviewed next. There were no changes to the agenda. The MRSWA Board minutes dated March 14, 2024, were reviewed. There were no changes. Mr. Cummins reported expenses for March were 4.23% below projections and a \$144,500 transfer was made into reserve funds. Mr. Cummins mentioned several invoices to discuss. They included Accent Tire, Diebold, Woods Equipment, WSP, Mid-Atlantic, and 2 payments to RDS. The financial statement was provided for informational purposes. Ms. Scott moved approval of the consent items. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Solid Waste and Recycling Tonnage Reports for March were reviewed. Mr. Cummins said solid waste tonnages totaled 7392 tons, bringing the fiscal year total to 62,279. This is an increase of 3,661 tons over the last fiscal year. Most of the increase was attributed to construction waste. Meridian tonnages still look good.

Recycling tonnages were 507 tons, bringing the fiscal year total to 4,672. This is a decrease of 396 tons when compared to last year. A decrease in single stream is contributing to the overall decline in recycling tonnages. The rejection rate in March was 1.26%, bringing the fiscal year rejection rate to .32%. Mr. Cummins said single stream commodity pricing continues to trend up with the current price at \$86.95 per ton.

March revenues were discussed. Mr. Cummins stated revenues were 5.77% above projections. A \$10,491 transfer was made for the monthly front loader payment. Mr. Cummins noted \$34,000 in miscellaneous income which was from selling the old front loader on GovDeals. The recycling profit loss report showed expenses exceeded revenues by \$6,123. For the fiscal year, revenues have exceeded expenses by \$1,898. This brings the recycling position to \$80,733.

Next on the agenda was the FY 24/25 Budget Discussion and Approval. Since the budget was discussed in detail in a previous meeting, and there were no comments during the public hearing, Mr. Fijalkowski asked if any Board member had any concerns or questions. Hearing no comments, Mr. Fijalkowski asked for a motion. Mr. Broyden moved the FY 24/25 rates and budget be approved. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Discussed next was a Virginia DEQ Inspection of the closed landfill. Mr. Cummins said the inspection yielded no violations.

A Solar Update was provided next. Mr. Cummins said dates for a site visit are being discussed and the development team is reviewing records. The interconnection with AEP has been filed and is in the queue to be studied. Shared solar passed in AEP. There is only 50 MW available right now, but there is hope this program will expand. There was a discussion about solar projects. Mr. Cummins was asked if Paul Jacobson, the Authority Attorney, is staying in the loop on the solar project. Mr. Cummins assured the Board that he is.

Mr. Levine reported on several school tours at NRRA.

There were no public comments.

During Board comments, Ms. Scott thanked Mr. Cummins for attending the Christiansburg Town Council meeting during her reappointment meeting. Mr. Cummins also did a presentation about MRSWA at the meeting. Mr. Boyer thanked Mr. Cummins for his responsiveness to a Town of Blacksburg Town Council member.

Board members unanimously agreed that the next regular monthly meeting of the Authority Board would occur on May 16, 2024, at 1:30 pm at the Authority's Recycling Center Building conference room. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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