MINUTES OF MEETING MONTGOMERY REGIONAL SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY JANUARY 19, 2023

Chair Chris Kiwus 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 Dr. Chris Kiwus, Mr. Steve Fijalkowski, Mr. John Boyer, and Mr. Barry Helms. Ms. Sharon Scott was absent. Also present were Mr. Alan Cummins, MRSWA Executive Director, Joe Levine, NRRA Executive Director, and Ms. Kim Stafford, MRSWA Administrative Coordinator.

The Election of the Board officers for 2023 was held. Mr. Cummins opened the floor for nominations for Board Chair. Mr. Helms nominated Dr. Kiwus and moved to elect him as Chair. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with Dr. Kiwus abstaining. Dr. Kiwus opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair and Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Boyer nominated Mr. Fijalkowski and moved to elect him as Vice Chair. Dr. Kiwus seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with Mr. Fijalkowski abstaining. Mr. Boyer nominated Mr. Helms and moved to elect him as Secretary/Treasurer. Dr. Kiwus seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with Mr. Helms abstaining.

Consent items were reviewed. There were no changes made to the agenda. The minutes from the December 15, 2022, MRSWA Board meeting were reviewed, and no changes were made. Mr. Cummins said expenses were .72% below projections. No transfers were made. Mr. Cummins informed the Board that line item 4207-5311 for banking services was listed incorrectly. The accountants added an expense from the Landfill Trust account that did not need to be included. This will be corrected with the accountants by the next meeting. Other invoices noted were MXI, which was for the household hazardous waste event and RDS, which was the single stream processing fee. The December financial statement was presented for informational purposes. Mr. Fijalkowski moved the consent items be approved. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Solid Waste and Recycling Tonnage Reports for December were reviewed. Mr. Cummins said solid waste tonnages for the month totaled 5,836 tons bringing the fiscal year total to 38,675. This is 194 tons less than this time last year. Mr. Cummins said Meridian brought in 994 tons in December and added that their tonnages have went up since the flow control permit fee letters were sent to haulers. He expects even more of an increase once the flow control ordinance is enforced by the jurisdictions. Recycling tonnages for December were 555 tons bringing the fiscal year total to 3,431.25. This is a decrease of 273 tons from last year. He said lower single stream tonnages are the reason for the decrease. The rejection rate for December was 0%, bringing the fiscal year rejection rate to .44%. Mr. Cummins said the price of single stream was up to \$52.58, which is 90 cents more than the December. He attributed this slight increase to PET and HDPE increases.

December revenues were discussed. Mr. Cummins stated revenues were .51% above projections and there was no transfer made in December. He said recycling revenues are down due to lower commodity prices. The profit loss report showed recycling expenses exceeded revenues by \$12,000. Mr. Cummins said this puts the year-to-date recycling position at \$91,109.

Next was the Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Disposal Agreement. Mr. Cummins said MXI offered a one-year contract with no increase in mobilization costs. Mr. Paul Jacobson, Authority Counsel, had reviewed the agreement. Mr. Helms moved approval of the contract. Mr. Fijalkowski seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Mr. Cummins said the dates for the 2023 HHW Events are April 8 and November 11.

The Budget Process was presented. Mr. Cummins said he moved up the process this year. He mentioned several dates for the first budget committee meeting. February 1 at 10:30 am was the consensus with the meeting projected to be over by noon.

The NRRA report was given next. Mr. Helms said NRRA Board officers for 2023 will be elected at the upcoming January meeting. Mr. Levine said the budget is being prepared and should be presented at the same meeting. He is projecting a \$2.00 per ton increase in sludge and tire disposal would increase by 2 cents per tire. Mr. Levine mentioned their annual dinner is set for February 10 on the Omni Center in Fairlawn. He also stated that NRRA has 81,000 carbon credits to sale, and they expect to receive between \$6.00 and \$9.00 per credit.

There were no public comments.

Board members unanimously agreed that the next regular monthly meeting of the Authority Board would occur on February 16, 2023, 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

MRSWA Secretary

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