

**ULSTER COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
APRIL 25, 2018**

The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency held a Regular Board Meeting on April 25, 2018, at 999 Flatbush Road, Town of Ulster, NY.

The proceedings were convened at 12:18 PM.

The following Board members were present: Chairman Fred Wadnola; Vice Chairman David Gordon; Treasurer Charles Landi; Member Jack Hayes; and Member Brian Devine.

Also present were: Executive Director Timothy Rose; Counsel / Secretary Kenneth Gilligan; Controller Tim DeGraff; Operations Manager Charlie Whittaker; Recycling Coordinator Merlyn Akhtar; Compliance Officer Tom Briggs; and Administrative Assistant Melinda France.

From the public: William Kemble from the Daily Freeman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Fred Wadnola stated things are going well and he is very happy on the way things are progressing.

Tim Rose and Fred Wadnola had a meeting with Ken Ronk, Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature on Wednesday, April 18, 2018. Ken Ronk, Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature previously met, the day before, with the Chairman of Greene and Sullivan County Legislatures. Fred Wadnola stated that Ken Ronk, Chairman of Ulster County Legislature stated that all three counties are coming to an agreement to fund the financial statement (regarding GUS). Each county will pay 1/3 of the cost.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 28, 2018 were moved by Charles Landi and seconded by Brian Devine. 5 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 absent.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

No communications.

A Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 23, 2018 at 5:00 PM.

Environmental Committee meeting and tour of facility is scheduled at the Agency; May 3, 2018 at 5:30 PM.

GENERAL REPORTS

Tim Rose presented the MSW, Recycling, Commodities and Leachate Collection reports.

MSW

Tim Rose stated that the MSW target tons for March were 8,458 tons compared to the actual tonnage brought in which was 9,727 tons. Tons are 1,269 tons to the good. Sludge target tons were 316 tons and the actual tonnage brought in was 266 tons. Negative of 50 tons.

RECYCLING TONNAGE

The Recycling tonnage report:

	LAST MARCH	THIS MARCH
COMMINGLE	44.2 TONS	36.35 TONS
GLASS	57.22 TONS	51.33 TONS
MIXED NEWS	92.18 TONS	69.29 TONS
SINGLE STREAM	563.12 TONS	509.53 TONS
OCC	117.35 TONS	111.78 TONS
FOODWASTE	199.26 TONS	199.29 TONS
BRUSH	13.1 TONS	56.9 TONS

There has been an “up tic” of C&D due to the fact, that the Agency has been working (providing roll-off containers) with the County on their cleaning out the Alms House and with the remodeling of the BRC.

COMMODITIES REPORT

Tim Rose explained the Commodities Report for March 2018. The report shows who we sold what to and the prices. NR means no response.

Tim Rose stated that we are no longer sending SSR (single stream recycling) to NJ due to being cut off. All SSR is going to ReCommunity in Beacon.

Fred Wadnola moved to approve the Commodities Report, Motion to vote was made by Charles Landi seconded by Brian Devine. 5 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 absent.

LEACHATE COLLECTION

Tim Rose stated that last March the total amount out of Ulster was 214,000 gallons and March, 2018 it was 206,500 gallons. Out of New Paltz in March, 2017 the total amount was 246,000 gallons and this March was 252,000 gallons.

RECYCLING PROGRAM UPDATE

Meryln Akhtar’s updates included:

- HHW and Pharmaceutical Waste Collection Event on April 14th
 - 350 participants
 - 300 lbs. of expired/unwanted over-the-counter and prescription medications were collected

- 360 lbs. of textiles were collected
- Next event is scheduled for Saturday, July 21st from 8AM-2PM at the NYSDEC Region 3 Facility in New Paltz
- Earth Day Activities
 - Participated in an Earth Fair on April 21st
 - Collected 1.56 tons of e-waste
 - Sold 4 compost bins and 12 rain barrels at the event
 - Looking to purchase an event tablecloth with Agency's name and logo on it for future events
 - Next month, Melinda and Merlyn will be visiting local schools to participate in their Earth Day fairs
- Compost Program
 - Compost sale has been a success; sold over 900 tons
 - Results of most recent sampling are posted on the website
 - Backyard Composting Seminar was a success with positive feedback

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Tim DeGraff presented the March 2018 Treasurer's Report.

For the month of March, we did 9,727 tons. No revenue items to note. Total revenues were \$1,136,909. No expense items to note. Total expenses were \$913,092.

The net operating revenues were \$223,817. Capital Outlay of \$49,752, was for the 4th lease payment out of 5 for the L110 loader. Fund balance for the month was a \$174,065. Year-to-Date is a deficit of \$1,476,152.

Fred Wadnola moved to approve the March 2018 Treasurer's Report, Motion to vote was made by Jack Hayes and seconded by Brian Devine. 5 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 absent.

MRF COST CENTER ANALYSIS

Tim DeGraff presented the March 2018 MRF Cost Center Analysis report. For the month of March, we did \$10,191 in tipping fees. The total sale of recyclables were \$4,901. Total revenues for the month were \$15,092. Single Stream recycling disposal for the month was \$20,680. Total expenses were \$33,228. Net loss for the month was \$39,454. Year-to-date net loss of \$95,740.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Resolution # 2439 Re: Authorizing and approving the purchase of a fuel dispensing management system

Tim Rose discussed Resolution #2439. He stated that the fuel pumps are 20 years old and are in a "desperate" need of replacement. Fuel dispensing management system has been on the capital plan for three years. This includes new software and updating the equipment of the fuel dispensing system. American Petroleum Equipment and Construction Company, Inc. was the successful bidder at \$95,865. Cornerstone, the engineers, said they were the best company for the job.

Fred Wadnola moved to the floor **Resolution No. 2439**; Motion to vote was made by Fred Wadnola and seconded by Brian Devine. 5 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 absent.

Resolution # 2440 Re: Authorizing and approving the purchase of (10) roll-off boxes

Tim Rose discussed Resolution #2440. He stated that the 40 yard boxes are running short and they would like to purchase 10. These boxes will be blue.

Fred Wadnola moved to the floor **Resolution No. 2440**; Motion to vote was made by Charles Landi and seconded by Brian Devine. 5 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 absent

OLD BUSINESS

The Board, Tim Rose, Charlie Whittaker and Tim DeGraff had a discussion regarding SSR (single stream recycling). They discussed the markets, problems/issues with recycling, increasing the fee, public hearing and what to do.*

David Gordon made a motion for a notice to hold a public hearing on May 23, 2018 regarding a proposal to increase the single stream recycling to \$40 a ton as of July 1st –December 31st, 2018 and as of January 1st, 2019 no longer accepting single stream recycling. Seconded by Brian Devine. 5 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 absent.

*Please note, the above discussion is available for review upon request.

NEW BUSINESS

Charlie Landi asked Tim Rose, if at the meeting with the Mayor of the City of Kingston if there was a discussion regarding a third tote for compost. Tim Rose clarified that the meeting was not with the Mayor but with Julie Noble, Environmental Educator and the HVRC (Hudson Valley Regional Council). HVRC are issuing the grant to the City of Kingston regarding studying the compost program (2 year study). The work plan has been laid out and the Agency's role is mentioned in the work plan as well. In two years, a report will be completed to see if it is feasible.

Fred Wadnola had a discussion with the Supervisor regarding piping leachate from the Ulster Landfill to the waste water treatment plant (this was a follow-up from Tim Rose's discussion with the Supervisor about a year ago). Fred Wadnola stated that the Superintendent of the Water Department doesn't think it would be a good idea because of chemical induction. Tim Rose stated that the quality of leachate is not bad. Fred Wadnola asked the Board to consider thinking about offering a year-long study at the waste water treatment facility. Fred Wadnola stated this would be a great savings to the Agency by piping the leachate. The Board decided that Fred Wadnola will go back to the Supervisor and ask about doing the study.

David Gordon stated he spoke to Dennis Soriano who stated BioHiTech (Entsorga) are building and applying to have a permitted facility in Rensselaer.

MOTION to ADJOURN the April 25, 2018, Regular Board Meeting at 1:25 PM was made by Brian Devine and seconded by Charles Landi. 5 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 absent.

The above transcribed Minutes of the April 25, 2018, Regular Board Meeting were moved by Charles Landi and seconded by Brian Devine. 5 in favor. None opposed. 0 absent. The Minutes were APPROVED by the Board.

Date: May 30, 2018