

ULSTER COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 27, 2015

The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency held a Regular Board Meeting on May 27, 2015, at 999 Flatbush Road, Town of Ulster, NY.

The proceedings were convened at 5:05 pm.

The following Board members were present: Chairman Leon Smith; Vice Chairman Catherine Nilsen (arrived at 5:30 PM); Treasurer Charles Landi (absent); Member Dominic Tagliafierro and Member David Gordon.

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

From the public: William Kemble from the Daily Freeman and Jim Craven, Manager of the Town of Hurley Transfer Station.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Leon Smith opened the meeting up for Public Comment.

No Public Comment.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Thanked Michelle Bergkamp for her years of service to the Agency and her support and wished her well in her new adventure.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the April 22, 2015, Regular Board were moved by Dominic Tagliafierro and seconded by David Gordon. 3 in favor. 0 opposed. 2 absent (NILSEN/LANDI).

The Minutes of the May 12, 2015, Workshop Meeting were moved by David Gordon and seconded by Dominic Tagliafierro. 3 in favor. 0 opposed. 2 absent (NILSEN/LANDI).

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Regular Board Meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 24, 2015 at 5:00 pm.

GENERAL REPORTS

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

MSW

Tim Rose stated that MSW target tons for April was 10,515 and brought in 11,022 so we are to the good about 507 tons. Tim stated sludge was merely dead on, target was 209 and came in at 178.

Tim Rose stated that Tim DeGraff did a great job on forecasting.

RECYCLING TONNAGE

The Recycling tonnage report was compared to the prior year. Last April for commingle we did 68 tons and this year we did 55; glass was 31 tons and this year it is 30; mixed news was 151 tons and this year 115; Single stream last year was 450 tons and now it is 650; OCC was 242 tons last year and it is down to 115 this year.

Leon Smith stated that at next month's meeting he will suggest that a resolution be made to allow the Agency to charge for Single Stream recycling.

There was a brief discussion about single stream-why haulers moved to single stream, who the Agency receives single stream from, it's not required to be brought to the Agency, and cost.

Dominic Tagliaferro mentioned that food waste keeps increasing.

Tim Rose stated that compost is doing really well and have sold most of it.

COMMODITY REPORT

Tim Rose noted the commodity report is in the Board packet. This shows who we sold what to and the prices. Tim stated that NR means no response.

Leon Smith asked if a spread sheet can be prepared for the next meeting stating who we sold what to and for what so far for the year.

Leon Smith moved to approve the Commodity Report. Dominic Tagliaferro seconded. 3 in favor. 0 opposed. 2 absent (NILSEN/LANDI).

LEACHATE COLLECTION

Tim Rose noted that last year in April we did 303,000 gallons and this year we did 80,000 out of Ulster and last year in April we did 189,000 gallons and this year we did 273,000 out of New Paltz.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Tim DeGraff presented the April, 2015 Treasurer's Report. He stated we had 11,022 tons. A jump in April for compost with a revenue of \$6,225. On the expense side with respect to the HHW event was \$25,375. Capital outlay of \$7,955 was for down payment on the LED lighting project. For the month of April Net operating revenues of \$343,456. Fund balance for the month is \$335,501. Year-to-date fund balance deficit is \$1,278,242, which is \$734,031 better than this time last year.

Leon Smith made a motion to approve the April, 2015 Treasurer's Report, David Gordon moved and seconded by Dominic Tagliaferro. 3 in favor. 0 opposed. 2 absent (NILSEN/LANDI).

MRF COST CENTER ANALYSIS

Tim DeGraff stated April was more of the same that we have seen. He stated that we have been holding some loads with the expectation that prices will go up. A load of PETE, color, 3-7, natural, tin, UBC, and 3 loads of cardboard that are being held which is approximately another \$70,000. The net loss for April before depreciation was \$15,724 and after depreciation was \$26,759; year-to-date net loss before depreciation was \$65,800 and after depreciation \$109,940.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Resolution No. 2349 Re: Termination of Solid Waste Management Agreements with the Towns

Leon Smith moved to the floor **Resolution No. 2349**; Motion to TABLE to the next meeting was made by David Gordon and seconded by Catherine Nilsen. 4 in favor. 0 opposed. 1 absent (LANDI).

Resolution No. 2351 Re: Solid Waste Management Agreement between The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency and Towns

Leon Smith stated this Resolution is to authorize the Agency's attorney to proceed with drafting a contract with the requirements that are attached to Resolution. The contract will be drafted and sent out to the Towns and they will have to have the contract back within 60 days.

The Board discussed and decided on a 30 day turnaround. The Board also discussed a timeframe.

Leon Smith moved to the floor **Resolution No. 2351**; Roll Call to vote was made by Kenneth Gilligan. LEON SMITH-YES; CATHERINE NILSEN-YES; CHARLES LANDI-ABSENT; DOMINIC TAGLIAFIERRO-NO and DAVID GORDON-YES. 3 in favor. 1 opposed (TAGIAFIERRO). 1 absent (LANDI).

Resolution No. 2352 Re: Authorizing and Approving certain Job Descriptions and Payment Scales for Recycling Educator

Tim Rose stated that he would like to fill the position with a Recycling Coordinator but might need to advertise for a Recycling Educator. He stated that there is no salary attached to the Recycling Educator position so he is asking for approval of the salary and job description.

There was a brief discussion about the difference between Recycling Coordinator and Recycling Educator.

Only one position is being filled.

Leon Smith moved to the floor **Resolution No. 2352**; Motion to vote was made by Dominic Tagliafierro and seconded by David Gordon. 4 in favor. 0 opposed. 1 absent (LANDI).

OLD BUSINESS

Charlie Whittaker stated the floor repairs are still in progress. All doors are opened.

Tom Briggs stated that Greylock received their first payment on Friday (May 22, 2015) and once they have all the equipment they will be ready to start.

Tim Rose stated that the LED light project is finished and has made a difference.

NEW BUSINESS

Leon Smith stated that the Agency should start thinking about getting rid of junk containers that cannot be used. Ken Gilligan is to prepare the bid.

MOTION to ADJOURN the May 27, 2015, Regular Board Meeting at 5:50 pm was made by Dominic Tagliaferro and seconded by David Gordon. 4 in favor. None opposed. 1 absent (LANDI).

The above transcribed Minutes of the May 27, 2015, Regular Board Meeting were moved by Charles Landi and seconded by Dominic Tagliaferro. 4 in favor. None opposed. 1 absent (NILSEN). The Minutes were APPROVED by the Board.

Date: June 24, 2015