



ROCKLAND COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
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Christopher P. St. Lawrence
Chairman

Anna Roppolo
Executive Director

Present

C. St. Lawrence
V. Altieri
A. Gromack
D. Jobson
L. Lynn

Present

H. Phillips
P. Moroney
P. Soskin
A. Stewart
A. Wieder

Absent

G. Finn
M. Grant
A. Paul
J. Murphy
J. Oppenheim
I. Schoenberger
W. Sherwood

Staff

H. Benado
K. Braunfotel
S. Haggerty
D. Louis
D. O'Donnell
A. Roppolo
D. Samuels
K. Scales
J. Sheridan
L. Stevenson

Others

T. Pytlar
J. Way
T. West

1. The Chairman called to order the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority Board of Director's meeting for Thursday, December 10, 2015 at 5:15 p.m.

2. Roll call by Clerk. There is a quorum.

3. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Supervisor Phillips

4. Introduced by: Phillips/Jobson Unan. December 10, 2015

Resolution No. 48 of 2015
ADOPTION OF MINUTES, MEETING OF
NOVEMBER 19, 2015

RESOLVED, that the transcribed Minutes of the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority are approved for the meeting November 19, 2015, as recorded by the Clerk and are hereby adopted.

5.a. Executive Director's Report

Roppolo: The baler repair at the Materials Recovery Facility is complete. We have scheduled a residue test for January to ensure the operator is meeting their contractual obligations with regard to processing and residue limits.

We held a pre-proposal meeting regarding the design/build of the administration/maintenance building on December 2, 2015.

Kerri Scales and I met with Rockland Habitat for Humanity to form a partnership with them for paint reuse and donations that are received at Household Hazardous Waste Facility in Pomona. A small percentage of paint received at the Household Hazardous Waste will be used in their Rockland missions. Whatever the percentage, this will allow for re-use rather than disposal, which is a goal outlined in our Solid Waste Management Plan. They had also mentioned that Habitat for Humanity is interested in eventually opening a reuse store similar to the Finger Lakes ReUse Center in Ithaca, NY. This is also a goal outlined in the Authority's Solid Waste Management Plan.

The Household Hazardous Waste request for proposal has been advertised and the pre-proposal conference was held today. The selection process should be completed within the next 90 days and will be brought to the Board for consideration after the process is finalized.

The Sloatsburg RFP will be advertised in the paper on Tuesday, December 18, 2015. The procurement process will be on going with an anticipated selection date of February 25, 2016.

On January 7, 2016 the Authority will host a municipal green team event. We have sent invitations to all town and village representatives. As previously discussed, the meeting was called to establish a pipeline for better communications with residents of each community. Each municipality has a unique relationship with their residents and a more local way of sharing information. We anticipate having a better and consistent communication flow as these meetings progress. I will ask Suzanne to forward an agenda to all the Board members once it has been finalized.

We hosted a county-wide shredding event on December 6, 2015 in conjunction with our Sunday's Household Hazardous Waste collection event. The shredding event was at the Provident Ballpark parking lot located off of Fireman's Memorial Drive from 8 am-12 noon. As mentioned at the last meeting, this will be an ongoing event in 2016 that will be held at each town twice per year and hosted by the Authority. We'd like to include a save the date flyer within the Household Hazardous Waste mailer which goes out to each resident at the beginning of the year. Therefore, it is important to confirm dates and times within each town so that the Household Hazardous Waste flyer goes out on a timely basis. Kerri will be coordinating dates and times with each town.

Thank you.

5.b. D&B Engineer's Report

Pytlar: We have been keeping track of the repairs Casella has been making to the MacPress baler at the Materials Recovery Facility. We have been tracking the installation of the new parts and repairs to the equipment and the success Casella has had. The baler is working well and Casella is doing a good job in keeping up with the maintenance. We also conducted an inspection for the Materials Recovery Facility monthly meeting at the Authority. We attended the pre-proposal meeting for the design/build maintenance garage.

St. Lawrence: How do you think the performance of Casella is?

Pytlar: When they came in they had a great attitude to what the Authority wanted. They did several things to update and improve the facility. They took personnel action to improve the management of the facility and they have recently hired a full-time maintenance manager.

6. **Introduced by: Lynn/ Weider Unan. December 10, 2015**

**RESOLUTION NO. 49 OF 2015
AWARDING BID FOR ELECTRICAL RELOCATION OF POWER FEEDS AND CONTROLS
IN WEST NYACK**

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority (the "Authority"), is a public benefit corporation, duly organized and existing under the New York State Public Authorities Law, Title 13-M; and

WHEREAS, the Authority owns and operates the Clarkstown Transfer Station located on Route 303 in West Nyack, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Authority needs to isolate the power feeds and controls for the Leachate Pump Station and Flare Stations located in the current maintenance building in anticipation of construction of a new administration/maintenance building; and

WHEREAS, a request for bid was issued on November 5, 2015 ("RFB# 2015-20") for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Authority received and opened sealed bids from contractors for the above referenced project on November 24, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Fanshawe, Inc. was deemed to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, with a bid of \$61,500.00; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Authority hereby awards the bid for electrical relocation of power feeds and controls to Fanshawe, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Authority authorizes the Executive Director of the Authority to execute such contracts and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary to effectuate the award of this contract, consistent with the terms of RFB 2015-20 in an amount not to exceed \$61,500.00.

Source of Funds: Capital Fund

7. **Introduced by: Phillips/Moroney Unan. December 10, 2015**

**RESOLUTION No. 50 OF 2015
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH GHD FOR ENGINEERING
CONSULTING SERVICES AT THE HILLBURN COCOMPOSTING FACILITY**

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority (the “Authority”), is a public benefit corporation, duly organized and existing under the New York State Public Authorities Law, Title 13-M; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is in need of continuing, on-call consulting engineering services at the Hillburn Cocomposting Facility; and

WHEREAS, GHD Consulting Engineers, LLC (“GHD”) has rendered on-call engineering consulting services to the Authority for the CoComposting Facility since 2010; and

WHEREAS, GHD has submitted a proposed professional services agreement for the year 2016, for consulting services that include such tasks as

- review of monthly Operations Reports provided by Authority’s Facility Operator at the Cocomposting Facility;
- assistance at monthly operations meetings with the Authority and the Facility Operator to review issues, concerns, and planning elements associated with operations and capital repairs;
- assistance with issues concerning the Rockland County Sewer District No. 1 relating to the existing Industrial User Wastewater Discharge Permit and ongoing sampling and analysis of wastewater;

- program oversight of annual odor performance testing; and
- engineering support and oversight for miscellaneous facility repairs and upgrades and other such related with related tasks requiring GHD's expertise; and

WHEREAS, GHD has demonstrated professionalism, expertise and specialized knowledge that has benefitted the Authority; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to enter into the proposed Professional Services Agreement with GHD for 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$148,000.

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Operating Budget

8. **Introduced by: Phillips/Jobson Unan. December 10, 2015**

**RESOLUTION NO. 51 OF 2015
EXTEND AGREEMENT WITH SPECTRASERV, INC.
AND DISTRIBUTE BID FOR WASTE WATER SIDE STREAM
HAULING AND DISPOSAL**

WHEREAS, by Board resolution 4 of 2011 the Authority and Spectraserv, Inc. have executed an Agreement dated January 27, 2011, for Hauling, Disposal, Transportation and Delivery of Wastewater Sidestream Materials from Rockland County Sewer District No. 1 and the Western Ramapo Treatment Plant to a designated disposal facility; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's contract with Spectraserv, Inc. for waste water side stream hauling and disposal expires on December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, bid (RFB-2015-16) for Waste Water Side Stream Hauling and Disposal will be distributed on December 8th and due back on December 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's contract with Spectraserv needs to be extended until the January 31, 2016; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Authority Board authorizes the Executive Director to extend the contract with Spectraserv.

9. Introduced By: Moroney/Gromack Unan. December 10, 2015

**RESOLUTION NO. 52 OF 2015
AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES
FOR THE CLARKSTOWN ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING**

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined the need for an engineering liaison to facilitate the construction of a new administrative building at the Clarkstown Transfer Station; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Authority has agreed to enter into an agreement for liaison engineering services for a period of 2 years not to exceed 50,000 per year.

10. Introduced By: Phillips/Moroney Unan. December 10, 2015

**RESOLUTION NO. 53 OF 2015
AUTHORIZING
THE TRANSFER OF THE AUTHORITY'S INTEREST
IN CERTAIN WATER ASSETS**

WHEREAS, in 1996 the Authority obtained the proceeds of a bond financing for the construction of its facilities located at 420 Torne Valley Road in Hillburn, New York (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, at the time that the Authority's facilities were being constructed in the Torne Valley area, United Water New York's water lines did not extend beyond Route 59; therefore, in order for the Authority to meet the water needs of the Authority facilities being constructed as part of the Project, the Authority constructed a private water line and related booster pump station; and

WHEREAS, this private water line (the "Water Line") constructed by the Authority connected to the United Water line at Route 59 and extended up to an Authority built booster pump station adjacent to Torne Valley Road near the terminus of the road (the "Booster Pump Station") (collectively the Water Line and the Booster Pump Station constitute the "Water Assets"); and

WHEREAS, in 1998 the Authority conveyed Torne Valley Road to the County of Rockland, which subsequently designated Torne Valley Road a County road in 2001; and

WHEREAS, as part of the transfer of Torne Valley Road, portions of the Water Line were also inadvertently transferred to the County of Rockland; and

WHEREAS, since the Water Assets were originally constructed, several enterprises and facilities which are unrelated to the Authority have been built along Torne Valley Road and have tapped into the Water Assets in order to meet their respective potable water and fire flow needs; and

WHEREAS, due to these additional enterprises and facilities, the Authority may be subject to the operational compliance requirements of a public water system; and

WHEREAS, the Authority does not wish to operate a public water system, and the Town of Ramapo has expressed an interest in acquiring the Water Assets and meeting all requirements of a public water system; and

WHEREAS, when the Authority originally financed the construction of the Project with its \$22,936,600 Series 1996A Bonds, the Authority entered into a loan agreement (the "Loan Agreement") with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation ("EFC"); and

WHEREAS, in order to transfer the Water Assets to another entity, the Authority will be required pursuant to the Loan Agreement to obtain EFC approval of the transfer of the Authority's interest in the Water Assets; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Authority hereby approves the transfer of its interest in the Water Assets to the Town of Ramapo, subject to the approval of EFC; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in order for the Authority to transfer to the Town of Ramapo all Water Assets, the Authority is also authorized to reacquire from the County of Rockland those portions of the Water Line which were transferred to the County in 1998 when the Authority conveyed Torne Valley Road to the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Authority is hereby authorized to effectuate such transfers by the appropriate instruments to be executed by the Executive Director or the Chairman; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or the Chairman of the Authority may negotiate and approve any such instrument as in the best interests of the Authority and not inconsistent with the terms of this resolution and take any and all additional action required to effectuate this resolution.

Introduced by: **Moroney/Altieri Unan. December 10, 2015**

**Resolution No. 54 of 2015
AUTHORIZING PANNONE, LOPES DEVEREAUX AND WEST (“PLDW”) TO REPRESENT THE
AUTHORITY IN LITIGATION AGAINST ALL NECESSARY PARTIES REGARDING
FEBRUARY 14, 2014 ROOF COLLAPSE**

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority (the “Authority”) owns a structure known as the Cocomposting Facility located at 410 Torne Valley Road, Hillburn, NY which is operated and maintained under an Operating Agreement with WeCare Organics LLC; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2014, the roof collapsed at the Cocomposting Facility; and

WHEREAS, the insurer processed and paid a portion of the Authority’s insurance claim but has not responded to correspondence regarding portions of the claim not paid; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined to pursue the additional damages not paid by the insurance and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined that such litigation requires specialized counsel to represent the interests of the Authority, and after discussing the case with Steve Torres, Esq., who has considerable experience and skill in insurance litigation, General Counsel recommends that PLDW be retained to represent the Authority in litigation against all necessary parties to recover the Authority’s additional damages by virtue of the February 14, 2014 roof collapse; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director, by and through counsel, to file legal action against all necessary party to recover the full extent of the Authority’s economic damages compensable under the Policy or for the loss.

Introduced: **Phillips/Moroney Unan. December 10, 2015**

**RESOLUTION NO. 55 OF 2015
RESCHEDULE OF MARCH 17, 2016 MEETING**

WHEREAS, the Chairman may elect to cancel or reschedule any single regular monthly meeting for lack of any business to be transacted or anticipated lack of a quorum, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the regular monthly meeting, originally scheduled for March 17, 2016 shall be rescheduled for **March 31, 2016**.

New Business

St. Lawrence: Do we have any new business? Since we don't have any new business, I'd like to adjourn tonight's meeting by the entire board and I'd like to adjourn it in honor of Mr. Gromack. He has been a part of this Board from the beginning and when he was an Assemblyperson while the legislation was being written to form this Authority. You have been a tireless worker for this Authority putting together this incredible, diverse, comprehensive recycling and management of the waste system and I truly believe that we wouldn't be here without the work that you have done. On behalf of the entire Board we want to say thank you.

Gromack: Thank you, I enjoyed my work here immeasurably and look forward to seeing new things from the Board in the future.

Full Board: Moved

Full Board: Seconded

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Haggerty