

Gerard M. Damiani, Jr. Executive Director

Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority

Chairman Phillips called to order the Rockland Green Board meeting for Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Roll call by clerk. There is a quorum.

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Commissioner Monaghan	Commissioner Jobson
Commissioner Moroney	Commissioner Lynn
Commissioner Powers	Commissioner Paul
Commissioner Soskin	Commissioner Yeger
Commissioner Specht	
Commissioner Wieder	
	Commissioner Monaghan Commissioner Moroney Commissioner Powers Commissioner Soskin Commissioner Specht

Staff

Keith Braunfotel, Jerry Damiani, Yisroel Eisenbach, Jeremy Goldstein, Suzanne Haggerty, Dee Louis, Ron Ludwig, Debbie Samuels

<u>Others</u>

Stephanie Kosmos, Teno West

Commissioner McGowan

Phillips: Jerry can you update the Board on what is happening at the MRF and other projects.

Damiani: An overview of activities conducted at Rockland Green. We expect completion of the demolition activities at the Material Recovery Facility tomorrow. It is about 98% complete right now. The RFQ is returnable for additional demolition activities tomorrow so we will continue moving forward with demolition activities. We sent out an RFQ for pricing to remove the existing drop-off canopy structure as well as the glass bunkers. The draft MRF equipment design build will be out for comment on July 1. This is a 60-day review period for public comments. Once we get those comments and incorporate them into the final design build on the equipment that will be issued in September.

Phillips: Everyone remember the equipment we are purchasing? Jerry give us a synopsis.

Damiani: Those that attended the visit two weeks ago saw that we removed all of the outdated processing and receiving equipment at the facility. We are looking to enhance and modernize that facility and make it less labor intensive with artificial intelligence and robotics. We are looking forward to getting the RFP out for the











equipment. Subsequently to that, there are will be other facility-wide improvements. We have a target date originally anticipate commencing operation on or about January 14, 2022. Obviously with COVID that has been pushed back to on or about March 17, 2020. Rockland Green is currently in the process of responding to New York State DEC's comments regarding the renewal of the West Nyack facility's umbrella permit. They added specific comments regarding Rockland Green's request to increase he daily capacity. Not the yearly capacity, but the daily capacity for inbound yard waste. It is a hard number that is set at 70 tons per day, however, there have been times when we have been hit with as much as 130 tons. It is municipal material coming in and I am not going to turn them away.

Kohut: Why do they care about the amount coming in?

Damiani: They are fixated on a daily hard number. We used to have an average and they went to a daily number when we renewed the umbrella permit in 2015. From 2009 to 2015 we operated on the old permit from the Town of Clarkstown. It took that long for Rockland Green to get the umbrella permit and then they combined all the facilities into one permit. Now they have a hard number for the concrete and asphalt crushing facility of 350 tons. If you hit 350 tons you open yourself up to potential violations. We have to manage all of Rockland's waste stream. They don't care about flow control and they don't acknowledge it. All they know is the number is 350 on the concrete and asphalt and 70 is the hard number on the yard waste.

Braunfotel: I think they don't want you to take in too much material in case you can't process it. But we run a tight ship.

Phillips: What is our ability to process? Could you do 450 tons?

Damiani: If there was a new crusher you could process around 450 tons a day. We didn't ask for the yearly amount to change we asked for the hard-daily number so we could account for a seasonal surge. We submitted the required notice to the NYS DEC regarding French Farms. We have been working with EDR to improve the aesthetic for that facility.

Phillips: Any complaints?

Hoehmann: Just one neighbor complained, but Jerry is doing a great job.

Damiani: The onsite monitor was there on Tuesday morning to give them an overview of what our intentions were. We are treating this as a five-day notice because we want to raise the perimeter roadway to assist with stormwater flow she is treating it as a modification because we are changing the existing grades. That is open to interpretation so we have a plan if they do decide to treat it as a modification there is additional review time of up to 30 days or more. EDR already has a contingency plan where we won't raise the roadway and we will just move forward.

Phillips: You are developing the landscape so you cannot see it from the road.

Damiani: Yes. What we are looking to do is add an additional four feet on an existing berm that is not high enough. We are looking to increase the planting beds with a combination of blue spruce, Colorado pine, hydrangea and junipers and some other plantings. We will beautify both entrances at both sides of the facility and then we will put a berm in the middle with plantings so when you drive by the front gate and look in the view is going to be blocked by the berm. In the winter when the foliage is off the trees we will look and see where there is opening and if we have to do some additional plantings we will. We think with the two berms the view will be blocked from the road.

We are continuing discussions with Orange County and Clean Harbors regarding providing assistance with the Orange County weekend collection events. We have been discussing the quantity and the types of material they will be collecting.

Izzy Eisenbach is our new hire. Izzy does a great job as our constituent representative for Rockland Green. He goes out on a daily basis and represents Rockland Green. He is also responsible for the bins and bags distribution to all the municipalities. If any municipalities have an issue with the bins or bags feel free to call Izzy.

We received both new pieces of equipment that we ordered in April for the screener and the excavator. We provided additional education and outreach. We provided new flyers to address the collection and recycling concerns in Wesley Hills. We are constantly reviewing daily tweets and the Chairman's weekly report and a system design of Rockland Green's digital billboard. We asked the Education Department how we could assist them in getting out their message to the communities since they can't go out and do the traditional education outreach. A few ideas were tossed around and we came up with the idea of digital billboards. We have one live right now on Rt 59 by Amazing Savings and we are going to look at how our traffic has been increased on our website. We have been putting one recycling fact per week and we pushed the recycling coach app. Those that drive by can view those two notes on the billboard.

The approval process is complete with the New York State DEC for additional sludge generators into the biosolids facility such as the City of Gainesville, Margaretville, Long Beach and the Village of New Paltz. Combined the potential wet ton capacity that we expect to receive is up to 2,00 wet tons. We have an excess of 7,000 of capacity at the biosolids facility. We have not discussed any of the tip fees associated with each municipality. That will be predicated on the percent solids on the lower end will be around \$100 a ton and the higher end of percent solids will be \$60 to \$80 a ton.

In this year's budget we separated out the commercial weight. We identified it under a separate commodity code with a rate of \$99 a ton. Prior to 2020 the rate was \$76 a ton and that was consistent for a number of years. Rockland Green's costs have increased especially with the renewal contract negotiations with Casella. At one time Casella wanted our waste and they needed our volume, but they don't need it anymore. We are competing against the New England states for that same capacity.

Phillips: All commercial we have raised to \$99 a ton and we all had a discussion about municipal going to \$99 a ton in 2024. Every contract will be expired by then and if you haven't told your town and village attorneys, make sure you do.

Braunfotel: Every January we send out a letter and we will do so next January. In all our RFP's that go out we put a special paragraph that states please be aware that January 2024 the rates are anticipated to be at least \$99 a ton.

Damiani: At the last Board meeting we passed a resolution to offer contracts for recyclable delivery agreements with the Townships of Mahwah and Allendale and they have signed and returned the agreements to us so they are on board. They will pay \$72 a ton to dispose of their recyclables at our facility. We are in the process of the preliminary drawings for the Haverstraw Transfer Station push wall. MBI will probably be tasked with making that improvement. It was budgeted this year to make that improvement and we are looking to keep it under the budgeted amount. We are moving forward with finalizing the contracts with O'Sullivan Equipment and MBI related to the operation of the Haverstraw facility. We continue to work with Paradigm and AxiaMed to become PCI compliant and as additional precautionary measures all weighmasters are not touching the credit cards anymore. Hush Electric is doing what is required to move the emv card readers outside in an enclosure box and locked at night.

Phillips: How are we doing at the Household Hazardous Waste Facility?

Damiani: We are doing really good.

Phillips: The days of operation are?

Damiani: Monday through Friday and select Saturdays or Sundays as identified in the flyer. Last year alone the HHW accepted over 843,000 pounds of e-waste and received over 26,000 cars at that facility.

Phillips: I receive the most compliments on the Household Hazardous Waste Facility. More than the mulch that we give the residents. Does anyone have any other questions? Can we get an update on the waste to energy.

Moroney: On the contract with O'Sullivan, has that been settled yet?

Damiani: We look to finalize it tomorrow. There is one more item to finalize. I would like to thank Dee Louis and Ronnie Ludwig. Dee has been on-point supervising the MRF demo and she has done a great job. As of right now there has been no change orders.

Phillips: Teno can you speak on the waste to energy Project?

West: Request for expression of interest went out for the Authority Board alternative waste disposal opportunities. We have received 13 responses. Green technologies and gasification are other ways of processing waste. Some of the new technology can take biosolids and solid waste. Some of these technologies call for a smaller footprint which is good because there is not a lot of land available and still process the waste of 350,000 tons a year. What's going to make this a successful project is that we have the waste because of flow control. We also have our charging mechanism.

There are no landfills up in New England so Massachusetts is hauling sludge and solid waste from eastern Massachusetts all the way to the landfill in New York and I think they are paying a higher price then what we are paying. They are going to fill those landfills.

Phillips: What is our next step then.

West: Right now we are in the process of reviewing the responses and then have an analysis by the end of the year or early next year.

Phillips: When you are evaluating and you are looking to see who has an existing facility, that will make a big difference.

West: With some of these new technologies they only take 50% of the waste and the other 50% has to go to the landfill. So you have to be careful when you are looking at the responses. We also have to look at the site plan and how much land it needs.

Phillips: At what part do we reach out to other counties and say to them do you want to partner with us on this?

West: After we get the review process done and show what we have and also have ballpark of what the tip fee would be. Once we pick a technology we should come back to the Board once we know what the footprint is and see if we have an existing site.

Braunfotel: In terms of the other counties, we already reached out as it relates to the recyclables and biosolids. We are developing those relationships and the hope is once the MRF comes online it will be easier.

Monaghan: Similar to what the Chairman said, with these 13 companies we would want to see the success that they have had at other locations. With some of these technologies they say it has been around but it is new.

Moroney: What timeframe are we talking about?

West: Probably by the end of 2021.

Phillips: What is our contract right now with the landfill?

Braunfotel: Five years.

Phillips: It will take about two and a half to three years to build?

West: With permitting and building it could be five to seven-year process.

Damiani: I met with Orange County regarding our assistance with the Household Hazardous Waste and we are going to have a discussion about this project as well.

West: You can talk about waste and sludge.

Moroney: This is a complicated issue that I think we should have a point person within Rockland Green that this will be their project.

Phillips: This definitely needs to be under Jerry.

Moroney: Yes that's true but to help him to coordinate everything. This will be a short-term project.

Phillips: I hear you. Unfortunately, everyone realizes in the beginning it is going to be a slow tedious crawl moving forward. Just gathering all the information and the fact that there are so many different types of methods that is going to be tried to be sold to us. We are going to do this and we are going to be successful we need to go with something that is reliable, but it is also going to come down to cost. This committee has never gotten away from cost. So we are going to have to look at what is feasible and what is reliable. I understand what you are saying we will try to have a point person, but right now that point person is Teno.

Moroney: They can work with Teno. You have to work with the supervisors and you have to work at that location. There are a lot of things that have to be attended to. I am not saying Jerry can't handle it what I am saying is I think somebody should be there to supervise.

Kohut: Don't we need to figure out the technology first.

Moroney: You can do both together. You have to have a plan even if you figure out the technology.

Phillips: We will give it to Teno right now and we will start to move ahead and we will get feedback from our staff of what we need.

Introduced by: Kohut/Hood Unan. June 25, 2020

RESOLUTION No. 49 OF 2020

ADOPTION OF MINUTES, MEETING OF May 21, 2020

RESOLVED, that the transcribed Minutes of the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority are approved for the meeting May 21, 2020 as recorded by the Clerk and are hereby adopted.

Introduced by: Rockland Green Board/Rockland Green Board June 25, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 50 of 2020

PERMANENT APPOINTMENT OF GERARD DAMIANI JR. AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ROCKLAND GREEN

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 68 of 2019, Gerard Damiani, Jr. was appointed as Interim Executive Director to Rockland Green; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Rockland Green to appoint Gerard Damiani, Jr., to the position of Executive Director; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Rockland Green hereby appoints Gerard Damiani, Jr. as Executive Director to Rockland Green as Executive Director effective June 25, 2020, with a salary to remain the same; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be sent to the Rockland County Department of Personnel in order to effectuate the appointment.

Damiani: Thank you. It is a pleasure to work for the Authority.

Introduced by: McGowan/Moroney Unan.

June 25, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 51 OF 2020

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH D&B ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS, P.C.

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

WHEREAS, by Resolution 21 of 2012, Rockland Green executed a General Retainer for Engineering Consulting Services with D&B Engineers and Architects, P.C., ("D&B"), to continuing serving as its Engineer; and

WHEREAS, D&B has substantial experience and particularized knowledge of Rockland Green's facilities and operations; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green received from D&B a letter dated August 7, 2019 entitled "2020 Budget Information" for an ADG Facility Project Study in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green now desires to expand the scope of the ADG Facilities Project Study to include satellite ADG facilities; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green received from D&B a letter dated June 9, 2020 entitled "Expansion of ADG Facilities Study" for an additional amount not to exceed \$45,420.00; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with D&B for engineering consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$140,420.

Source of Funds: Capital Budget and Operating Budget

Damiani: This process started around 2017 with a NYSERDA feasibility study looking at anaerobic digestion. We moved forward in 2019 with D&B to come up with a feasibility study to assist Rockland County Sewer District as well as Orangetown Sewer District with cost saving measures as related to anaerobic digestion. Based on that we also entertained the idea of the alternate for Sewer District 1 and Orangetown lets have the discussion with the other wastewater treatment plants such as Haverstraw, Stony Point, Suffern and Western Ramapo. I am required to come back to you in excess of \$100,000 or more so with the additional cost expanding the feasibility study of an additional \$45,000 now the cost is \$140,000.

Phillips: Everybody will be involved with the study and I am sure all the other towns can use the information as well and it will be helpful. Does anybody have any concerns or questions?

Kohut: What is the deliverable? What is the study going to tell us?

Damiani: It is going to be a report that will show the individual wastewater treatment plant what could be housed eventually on those plants. It will also look at state legislation that is coming down the pike in 2022 where there will be requirements of generators generating more than two tons of organic material source have to utilize a facility that has that technology to process food waste. Whether it is through composting or anaerobic digestion. They will also look at utility utilization and with the digester biogas be 100% we will look in an essence to having net zero effect on the utility utilization at those plants. Additional revenue could be forthcoming to Rockland Green because each digester that is identified in the current feasibility study related to Sewer District 1 and Orangetown has the ability to process up to 40,000 tons a year of food waste. If you look at the EPA hierarchy and they identify anywhere from 20 to 30% of your MSW stream consists of which food waste for an anaerobic system regenerate 354,000 tons last year of that at 20% we are at about 39,000 tons means one digester. If we run the numbers up to 30% now you're close to 80,000 tons so that would be two digesters. If we want to generate some revenue and take that from outside the County and outside the State

we want to know if those waste water treatment plants will even entertain the idea. We need to know whether the footprint of the facility would merit such an improvement there and we need to balance those costs. Whether it is savings for the wastewater treatment plants or if it is a greater cost to Rockland Green. If we look to pull out what comes into our biosolids facility from the wastewater treatment plant and I will use Orangetown as an example Orangetown we pull a trailer load of approximately 20 tons everyday out of that wastewater treatment plant. They generated just under 5,000 wet tons for the year 2019. There is a reduction there of over 240 truck loads so less carbon emission and a small cost savings on our end but increases capacity for us to take in additional sludge from an outside third party at a higher tip fee. Right now there is no tip fee for incounty sludge. That is what we are looking to do and based on the feasibility study those are just some of the items that will be identified and they also talk about looking at the user fee and maybe coming up with a new user fee associated to the cost of setting up the anaerobic digester to process source separated organics through us.

Phillips: They are going to make us do these things sooner or later so the further we can get out in front of it and get some cutting-edge technology also. I think Rockland County Sewer District is the only one with a digester?

Damiani: Suffern and Rockland County Sewer District and they are actively engaged in making improvements.

Introduced By: Specht/Hoehmann Unan. June 25, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 52 OF 2020

AUTHORIZING NOTICE TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE INTENT TO ACQUIRE 172 MAIN STREET, NANUET, NY 10954

WHEREAS, GHD was retained by the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority (hereinafter referred to as "Rockland Green") to complete a Phase I Environmental Assessment of the property and building located at 172 Main Street in Nanuet, New York 10954 to function as the Rockland Green Administration Building; and

WHEREAS, based upon the recommendations of GHD, Rockland Green entered into a lease agreement dated December 15, 2019 (the "Lease Agreement"), for the lease of the property and building located at 172 Main Street, Nanuet, New York, from January 1, 2020 thru December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, included within the Lease Agreement is an "Option to Purchase"; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green is interested in acquiring a fee interest in the property and building located at 172 Main Street, Nanuet, New York and is authorized to acquire real property pursuant to item (3)

of Section 2053-e of the Rockland Green's enabling legislation, Title 13-M of the Public Authorities Law (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, Section 2053-f of the Act specifies that the Rockland Green shall not acquire any interest in real property unless at least 45 days' prior notice of the acquisition of any interest in real property by Rockland Green has been given to the Rockland County Legislature and no objection by resolution of the Rockland County Legislature shall have been made and delivered within such 45 days; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Rockland Green Board directs the Executive Director or General Counsel to notify the Rockland County Legislature of its intent to acquire the property and building located at 172 Main Street, Nanuet, New York in accordance with Section 2053-f of the Act.

Phillips: It is a great location and it will satisfy our needs going forward and we will be looking at the education center moving forward too. Is everything moved over now?

Damiani: With the exception of the education and outreach department's exhibits because of COVID since we don't know what is happening with the schools and outreach we haven't moved any of the exhibits over because we want to make improvements downstairs.

Braunfotel: With the requirements of social distancing the facility is big enough to create that. If we were in the other location I don't know what we would have done.

Introduced By: Moroney/Wieder Unan.

June 25, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 53 OF 2020

DECLARING (I) THE AUTHORITY ACTING AS "LEAD AGENCY" UNDER SEQRA FOR THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF 172 MAIN STREET, NANUET, NEW YORK AND (II) A DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

WHEREAS, under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") environmental review must be conducted if a proposed action requires funding or permitting by a public entity; and

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority (herein after "Rockland Green"), entered into a lease for the rental of the premises located at 172 Main Street, Nanuet, New York (the "Premises"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of such lease, Rockland Green has the option to purchase the Premises upon 6 months' notice to the owner of the Premises; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green is interested in acquiring a fee interest in the Premises and is authorized to acquire real property pursuant to item (3) of Section 2053-e of Rockland Green's enabling legislation, Title 13-M of the Public Authorities Law; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of 6 CRR-NY 617.6 (b)(1), where a single agency is involved, that agency will be the "Lead Agency" for SEQRA purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Authority, as project sponsor, is acting as the Lead Agency; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green, as Lead Agency, following review of 6 CRR-NY Part 617, has determined the proposed acquisition of the Premises is considered an Unlisted action under SEQRA and, as such, a short Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF"), an executed copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, has been completed by the Lead Agency pursuant to the strictures of 6 CRR-NY 617.6 (a)(3); now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Rockland Green Board hereby declares that Rockland Green has acted as Lead Agency for the purpose of conducting an environmental review of the proposed acquisition of the Premises as required under SEQRA; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Rockland Green Board hereby declares that Rockland Green, as Lead Agency, has (i) conducted the required SEQRA environmental review for the proposed acquisition of the Premises; (ii) followed all applicable protocols in accordance with and as required by all relevant rules and regulations in connection therewith including, without limitation, those rules and regulations promulgated under 6 CRR-NY Part 617; and (iii) reached a determination that Rockland Green's acquisition of the Premises will not have any significant adverse impact on the environment; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Rockland Green Board will prepare, or cause to be prepared, a Negative Declaration in accordance with the applicable provisions of SEQRA, thereby setting forth the determination of non-significance reached by the Authority in connection with the SEQRA environmental review conducted by Rockland Green as indicated hereunder.

Phillips: We have to do the SEQR and declare ourselves lead agency.

Introduced By: Soskin/Kohut Unan.

June 25, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 54 OF 2020

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE APPRAISALS, PURCHASE PRICE AND PURCHASE OF BUILDING AND PROPERTY LOCATED AT 172 MAIN STREET, NANUET, NEW YORK AND RELATED ACTIONS

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority (hereinafter referred to as "Rockland Green") currently leases and maintains the building and property located at 172 Main Street, Nanuet, NY; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green is interested in acquiring a fee interest in such property and is authorized to acquire real property pursuant to item (3) of Section 2053-e of Rockland Green's enabling legislation, Title 13-M of the Public Authorities Law (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, Section 2053-f of the Act specifies that Rockland Green shall not acquire any interest in real property unless at least 45 days' prior notice of the acquisition of any interest in real property by Rockland Green has been given to the Rockland County Legislature and no objection by resolution of the Rockland County Legislature shall have been made and delivered within such 45 days; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green has authorized both the Executive Director or General Counsel to notify the Rockland County Legislature of its intent to acquire the building and property at 172 Main Street, Nanuet, NY in compliance with Section 2053-f of the Act; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green's Guidelines for Acquisition of Real Property (the "Guidelines") specify that Rockland Green must obtain two appraisals by licensed appraisers as to the fair market value of the property to be acquired; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green has obtained two appraisals by licensed appraisers as to the fair market value of the building and property located at 172 Main Street, Nanuet, NY; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the foregoing, due diligence and the negotiation of a purchase agreement are required prior to the acquisition of the property by Rockland Green; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Rockland Green Board hereby accepts the two appraisals received in connection with the building and property located at 172 Main Street, Nanuet, NY; and be it further

RESOLVED, that based on such appraisals the Rockland Green Board authorizes a purchase of the fee interest in the property for a price of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$1,500,000.00), subject to the completion of due diligence and the satisfactory negotiation of a purchase agreement, and provided no objection of the Rockland County Legislature by resolution shall have been provided as set forth in Section 2053-f of the Act; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Rockland Green Board hereby authorizes the Chairman or the Executive Director to (i) perform all due diligence required, (ii) negotiate the terms and conditions of a purchase agreement with the owner of 172 Main Street, Nanuet NY, which shall not be inconsistent with this resolution, and (iii) execute the final version of such purchase agreement all action required to facilitate and consummate the acquisition of the building and property located at 172 Main Street, Nanuet, NY by Rockland Green.

Funding Source: Unrestricted Funds

Introduced: Hofstein/Powers Unan. June 25, 2020

RESOLUTION No. 55 OF 2020

CANCELATION OF JULY 23, 2020 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 July 23, 2020 shall be canceled.

New Business

Phillips: Is there any other new business Mr. Attorney.

Braunfotel: Yes we have some new business. Mr. Damiani would you like to speak to the raising of the concrete and asphalt crushing tip fees.

Damiani: Yes. During the contract negotiations we asked the proposer to canvas surrounding facilities such as ours to see what their rates are to dispose of concrete and asphalt. Rockland Green subsequently did their own survey and concluded that our closest competitor charges \$30 a cubic yard. That means we charge currently \$15 a ton inbound. If a 20 yard container carries around 18 tons, we are only charging \$240. If you go to our competitor in Elmsford, they are getting \$600 for that same load. We are also under a new agreement where we are going to be paying our operator \$16.50 a ton to process the material. Our current inbound rate is \$15 a ton. I think it is warranted at this time to increase a modest amount of \$5 a ton for inbound concrete to \$20 a ton. We will stay competitive with the other facility.

Braunfotel: We have to have a public hearing to see if there is any public comment if you will approve this tonight.

Introduced By: Kenny/Hood Unan. June 25, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 56 OF 2020 ADOPTION OF RATE FOR THE CONCRETE AND ASPHALT CRUSHING OPERATION

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

WHEREAS, Rockland Green is authorized under Section 2053-g of the Public Authorities Law to fix and collect rates, rentals, fees and other charges for the use or availability of the Rockland Green's facilities and services; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for Rockland Green to increase the rate for concrete at the Concrete and Asphalt Crushing Operation (the "Facility") to \$20.00 per ton in order to cover the costs of operations at the Facility; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2053-g of the Public Authorities Law, Rockland Green is required to hold a public hearing at which interested persons have an opportunity to be heard concerning its rates, rentals, fees of other charges; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green intends to hold a public hearing on July 17, 2020 for the purpose of setting Rockland Green's rates for the delivery of concrete and asphalt at the Facility; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Rockland Green Board hereby adopts such rates for the Facility going forward to commence on August 1, 2020 as set forth at the public hearing which shall be duly held by the Executive Director; provided that no significant issues are raised at such public hearing; and be it further

RESOLVED, that to the extent significant issues are raised such public hearing, the Chairman of Rockland Green shall make the determination as to whether additional action is required by the Rockland Green Board prior to the implementation of such rates; and be it further

RESOLVED, that to the extent the Chairman determines no additional action is required, the rates shall take effect on the date set forth at the public hearing; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is authorized to take all appropriate actions to effectuate the levying and collection of such rates for the use of the Facility.

Phillips: Any other questions? Since there are no other questions or comments do, we have a motion to adjourn?

Monaghan: Moved **Hoehmann:** Seconded

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne Haggerty