

Chairman Phillips called to order the Rockland Green Board meeting for Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Hood

Roll call by clerk. There is a quorum.

Present

Chairman Phillips
Commissioner Hoehmann
Commissioner Hofstein
Commissioner Hood
Commissioner Kenny
Commissioner Kohut
Commissioner McGowan

Present

Commissioner Monaghan
Commissioner Moroney
Commissioner Powers
Commissioner Soskin
Commissioner Specht
Commissioner Wieder

Absent

Commissioner Jobson
Commissioner Lynn
Commissioner Paul
Commissioner Yeger

Staff

Keith Braunfotel, Jerry Damiani, Noreen Gelok, Jeremy Goldstein, Suzanne Haggerty, Dee Louis, Debbie Samuels

Others

Stephanie Kosmos, Steve Torres, Teno West

Introduced by: Hoehmann/Specht

Unan.

November 19, 2020

RESOLUTION No. 75 OF 2020

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES, MEETING OF
OCTOBER 22, 2020**

RESOLVED, that the transcribed Minutes of the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority are approved for the meeting October 22, 2020 as recorded by the Clerk and are hereby adopted.

Introduced by: Wieder/Soskin

Unan.

November 19, 2020

Resolution No. 76 of 2020

**AWARD OF SOLID WASTE COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSAL
AGREEMENT FOR
THE VILLAGE OF NEW HEMPSTEAD (NH-4)
RFP 2020-04**

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority d/b/a Rockland Green (“Rockland Green”) is a Public Authority Corporation, duly organized and existing under the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority Act, (the “Act”) and set forth under Title 13-M of the Public Authorities Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Village of New Hempstead (hereinafter “the Village”) entered into an intermunicipal agreement with Rockland Green to take responsibility for solid waste collection, transportation and disposal services in the village; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its powers granted under the Act, Rockland Green has the power to perform such collection and to impose a fee for such service against the residential real property owners of the Village; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green issued a Request for Proposal for Solid Waste Collection, Transportation, and Disposal for the Village of New Hempstead, New York (RFP 2020-04) on August 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2020, two proposals were received in response to the RFP; from AAA Carting & Rubbish Removal, Inc. and Carlo Minuto Carting Co., Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green’s Evaluation Committee evaluated the proposal, taking into consideration the evaluation factors set forth in the RFP, including qualifications and relevant experience, viability of proposed services, project organization, ability to comply with applicable law (including the flow control law and the prevailing wage law), the proposer’s financial capabilities, the proposed risk posture and business deal as set forth in the service contract, references and price, and determined that Carlo Minuto Carting Co., Inc. provided an advantageous proposal for solid waste collection, transportation and disposal services being sought for the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village concurs with the above recommendation; and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green expressly reserved the right in the RFP to select a proposer that best satisfies the interests of Rockland Green and not necessarily on the basis of price or any other single factor; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the proposal of Carlo Minuto Carting Co., Inc. was found to be advantageous for the services being sought, taking into consideration the evaluation factors set forth in the RFP, and provided that the parties can come to successful terms under the Service Contract; and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the proposal of Carlo Minuto Carting Co., Inc. for the prices submitted during the procurement process is hereby accepted; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Rockland Green hereby authorizes the Chairman and the General Counsel to negotiate with Carlo Minuto Carting Co., Inc., and if negotiations prove successful, and subject to the affirmation of the Village, authorizes the Chairman to execute a Service Contract for Solid Waste Collection, Transportation and Disposal for the Village, as such services are described in the specifications set forth in the RFP, as further negotiated, subject to review by Rockland Green Counsel; and be it further.

RESOLVED, that the Service Contract for Solid Waste Collection, Transportation and Disposal for the Village shall be substantially in the form presented at this meeting, with such amendments, modifications, changes and omissions thereto as the Chairman and General Counsel may negotiate and approve as in the best interests of Rockland Green and not inconsistent with the terms of this resolution, and the Service Contract for Solid Waste Collection, Transportation and Disposal for the Village shall constitute conclusive evidence of the valid authorization hereunder of any such amendment, modification, change or omission; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Rockland Green in its sole discretion, has the right to discontinue negotiations with Carlo Minuto Carting Co., Inc. at any time prior to the execution of the Service Contract for Solid Waste Collection Transportation and Disposal for the Village and such agreement shall not be binding and valid until executed by the parties.

Phillips: Executive Director would you like to add to this resolution.

Damiani: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We received two proposals one from AAA Carting and one from Carlo Minuto Carting. We asked them to provide their best and final after interviews were conducted. Minuto came back with a reduction of \$4.25 per unit cost for the first year with a net savings over the contract of \$322,308.

Introduced by: Hoehmann/Kohut

Unan.

November 19, 2020

Resolution No. 77 of 2020

**AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A
ENGINEER II POSITION
TO ROCKLAND GREEN**

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority d/b/a Rockland Green, is a Public Authority Corporation duly organized and existing under Title 13-M of the Public Authorities Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the position of Engineer II to Rockland Green has been established by the Rockland County Department of Personnel; and

WHEREAS, the services of the Engineer II is be created for a forty (40) hour week schedule and subject to a term of probation of twenty-six (26) weeks; and therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that the position of Engineer II is hereby established for a forty (40) hour week schedule and will be established upon classification action by the Rockland County Department of Personnel, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is authorized and directed to sign any and all documents and to do and cause to be done any and all acts necessary or proper in connection with or for carrying out this resolution.

Phillips: Executive Director, explain what we are doing here.

Damiani: I would like to promote Dee Louis from within from Engineer I. Dee has been Engineer I since 2015 and currently we do not have an Engineer II. Dee has worked hard in her duties and I want to acknowledge that.

Introduced By: Rockland Green Board/Board Unan. November 19, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 78 OF 2020
APPOINT ENGINEER II (SOLID WASTE)
TO ROCKLAND GREEN**

WHEREAS, the position of Engineer II (Solid Waste) was established by the Rockland County Department of Personnel and by Rockland Green Board Resolution No. 77 of 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Rockland Green Board desires to fill that position with the promotional appointment of Deandre Louis, at an annual salary of \$89,736.00, starting November 20, 2020, and all other benefits of such employment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Authority Board hereby appoints Deandre Louis as Engineer II (Solid Waste) to the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority, effective November 20, 2020, at an annual salary of \$89,736.00, and all other benefits of such employment.

Phillips: Congratulations, Dee.

Introduced by: Hood/Kenny Unan.

November 19, 2020

RESOLUTION No. 79 of 2020

**ESTABLISH TWO POSITION OF WEIGHER I
FOR ROCKLAND GREEN**

WHEREAS, the Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority d/b/a Rockland Green, is a Public Authority Corporation duly organized and existing under Title 13-M of the Public Authorities Law of the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, Rockland Green has established that two Weigher I positions are essential to efficiently operate its facilities, and

WHEREAS, the services of two Weigher I position is recommended to be created with an annual salary of \$55,000.00 for a forty (40) hour week schedule and subject to a term of probation of twenty-six (26) weeks and at the satisfactory completion of the probationary period, and therefore be it

RESOLVED, that two position of Weigher I are hereby established at an annual salary of \$55,000.00 for a forty (40) hour week schedule upon classification action by the Rockland County Department of Personnel, and still be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is authorized and directed to sign any and all documents and to do and cause to be done any and all acts necessary or proper in connection with or for carrying out this resolution.

Phillips: Executive Director explain what we are doing and that we are not adding any new employees.

Damiani: After a discussion with the Department of Personnel, we approved James Phillips as Weigher II, but we need to create the position of Weigher I. Because of COVID, we will have the ability if there is a need to bring in a Weigher I immediately. When the first phase hit in March and April, we were down five employees at the transfer station in West Nyack. I don't want to fill the position right now, but if there is a need we have the position available.

New Business

Phillips: Would any Commissioners like to bring anything before the Board?

Moroney: Mr. O'Donnell has decided to leave employment of Rockland Green and I think tonight is a good night to say thank for his service and for all his accomplishments. He is retiring as of December 31, so we wish Denis well and thank him for everything he has done.

O'Donnell: Thank you Pat and all the members of the Board it has been an honor and a privilege to be of service to this great group.

Moroney: I want to thank you Mr. Chairman and all the members of the Board for your concerns and prayers for my recent illness. I really appreciate it.

Phillips: It is good to see you here tonight and we look forward to working with you.

Phillips: Do we have a motion to go into Executive Session.

Moroney: Moved

Kohut: Seconded

Braunfotel: The information that is about to be given, directly affects our negotiations and much of the information is proprietary as to what we are trying to do as it relates to waste-to-energy and some of our anticipated procurement responders.

Phillips: Motion to come out of Executive Session.

Kohut: Moved

Moroney: Seconded

Phillips: Do we have any new business? Since there are no other questions or comments, do we have a motion to adjourn?

Monaghan: Moved

Specht: Seconded

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Haggerty