

YORK COUNTY SOLID WASTE AND REFUSE AUTHORITY
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 21, 2021 | YCSWA Management Center

PRESENT:

Ed Heindel, Chairman	David Vollero, Executive Director
Patrick Ball, Vice-chairman	Jerry Grim, Assistant Executive Director
John Klinedinst, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer	Doug Jasitt, Manager, Engineering & Operations
Chick Renn, Board Member	Ellen O'Connor, Manager, Community Services
Fred Ritzmann – Board Member	Gregg Pearson, Manager, Recycling & Planning
Kim Hogeman, Associate Board Member	Mindy Waltemyer, Recording Secretary
Zachary Nahass, Solicitor	

ABSENT:

Matt Sommer, Secretary
Jim Arvin, Board Member
Felicia Dell, Board Member
Tim Malinky, Board Member

VISITORS:

David Sharp, Covanta

CALL TO ORDER:

The regularly scheduled board meeting of the York County Solid Waste and Refuse Authority (Authority) was held on Wednesday, July 21, 2021. Chairman Ed Heindel called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Chairman Heindel then called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Chairman Heindel requested Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Klinedinst take roll call. Mr. Klinedinst verified the board had a quorum.

VISITOR COMMENT:

Mr. Sharp shared that Covanta is considering the acquisition of their company by EQT of Sweden. Discussion followed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman Heindel called for the approval of the Authority's June 16, 2021 board meeting minutes.

Mr. Ball moved that the June 16, 2021 board meeting minutes be approved. Mr. Renn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DIVISION REPORTS:

Administrative Division

Mr. Grim presented the Financial Reports for June 2021. The **Accounts Payable Check Register** for July 2021 (check numbers 41211 to 41302) provided disbursements totaling \$1,781,849.89. The **Operating Accounts Report** for June 2021 showed the General Checking Account had an ending balance of \$2,000.00, the General Fund Account had an ending balance of \$6,122,760.10 and the Payroll Checking Account had an ending balance of \$1,000.00. Mr. Grim also relayed the **Trust Fund Accounts Report** as well as the **Outstanding Loan Balance** as of June 30, 2021 of \$1,544,000.

Mr. Grim reviewed the **Budget Comparison Report** for June 2021 which reflected total revenues year-to-date of \$21,433,856.22 (54.9% of budget) and total expenses year-to-date of \$19,760,120.31 (50.61% of budget). This report also showed the total tonnage year-to-date of waste received at the York County Resource Recovery Center (YCRRC) was 231,877.07 (52.70% of the 440,000- ton goal for the year). The **Expense Budget Comparison Report** followed.

Mr. Grim next presented the **Monthly Receipts Report** for June 2021 which showed 45,307 tons of MSW were delivered to the YCRRC resulting in Accounts Receivable activity with an ending balance of \$2,594,516.07. Deposits for the month totaled \$4,384,161.55. The total monies received year-to-date for Accounts Receivable and Cash Sales were \$15,135,197.36. The total monies for Energy Sales received year-to-date were \$4,592,616.49. The energy rate for May 2021 sales was \$0.027/kWh. The total monies for York Reduction System (YRS) Metal Sales were \$2,850,126.22. The **Past Due Accounts Report** and **YRS Financial Report** followed.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Ritzmann moved that the Financial Reports for June 2021 be accepted as presented. Mr. Klinedinst seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Grim next gave an update the Authority's pursuit of pollution liability insurance. After further efforts, the Authority was still not able to find a pollution liability insurance policy that made financial sense. The Authority recommended self-insuring for that area of liability. Discussion followed during which the board expressed their support of the Authority self-insuring.

Mr. Grim then reported, for the record, that the Authority signed a contract for the sale of their renewable energy credits for the period of June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023 with Sol Systems.

Mr. Grim next reminded the board of the Authority's 2022 Budget Workshop to be held on August 18, 2021 at 5:30 PM. Discussion followed.

Recycling & Planning Division

Mr. Pearson reminded the board of their invitation to tour the Penn Waste Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) on a date in September to be determined in August. Discussion followed.

Community Services Division

Ms. O'Connor reported that Becky Krout, late board member, Noah Krout's wife, recently toured the YCRRC along with her daughter and grandchildren. Ms. O'Connor noted that Becky sends her regards to the board.

Ms. O'Connor next reported that the Authority's 2020 Annual Report should be available within a week.

Ms. O'Connor also noted that the Authority is seeing an increase in requests for tours and programs. Discussion followed.

Engineering & Operations Division

Mr. Jasitt presented the **YCRRC Operations Reports** for June 2021. The average availability of the three combustion units was 91.0%. The turbine generator was 100% available. Total waste processed was 38,511 tons. Average electricity production was 559 kWh per ton and 21,541,184 kWh were produced. Electricity purchased for the month was 0 kWh. Outbound ash produced was 16,052 tons, of which 13,644 tons were processed at the Ash Recycling and Processing Facility (ARPF) and 2,408 tons were disposed at Modern Landfill. There were no emissions excursions in June 2021. Stack testing for units 1, 2 and 3 was conducted in May and the first week of June, the results of which are pending.

Mr. Jasitt then reviewed the **Ash Recycling and Processing Facility (ARPF) Reports** for June 2021 which showed that there were 131.0 processing hours. 5,839 tons of material were disposed at Modern Landfill. Materials sold at market included 1,420 tons of ferrous metal and 172 tons of nonferrous metal. 5,239 tons of aggregate/sand were sent out for reuse. Discussion followed.

Mr. Jasitt next reported that the Authority staff recommends extending the YCRRC roll-off services contract with Waste Management for one year, 2022. There would be no rate increase for this additional contract year. Discussion followed.

Mr. Ball moved to approve the 2022 Extension Agreement for the YCRRC Roll-off Services between the Authority and Waste Management based upon Waste Management maintaining the 2021 hauling rates for 2022. All other terms of the contract will remain in effect. Mr. Klinedinst seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Jasitt then reported that the Authority conducted exploratory drilling of Cell A-3 at the closed York County Sanitary Landfill (YCSL) to examine the quality of material in the cell. The Authority plans to bring a sample of materials to the ARPF for processing and further examination. Discussion followed.

Mr. Jasitt further reported that the Authority is working with the environmental consulting company, ARM Group to determine possible scenarios for expansion of the YCSL. Discussion followed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Heindel called to order an executive session at 7:20 P.M.

Chairman Heindel adjourned the executive session at 8:30 P.M.

RECALL TO ORDER OF OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING:

Chairman Heindel called back to order the open session at 8:30 PM. Solicitor Nahass commented that during the executive session several items were discussed including an issue with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection; a request for a loan made upon the Authority by the York County Economic Alliance; personnel issues relevant to alternative compensation; the Authority's holiday schedule; and litigation between Lobar and the Authority.

SOLICITOR REPORT:

Solicitor Nahass had nothing to report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

Executive Director Vollero had nothing to report.

OTHER ITEMS:

The next regularly scheduled York County Solid Waste Authority Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. There will also be a board dinner at the Education Center that evening at 5:00 PM during which the late Authority solicitor, Robert Strickler will be honored with a resolution presented to his wife, Kate Strickler.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Heindel called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 P.M.

Mr. Ritzmann moved to adjourn the Authority board meeting. Mr. Renn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.



John Klinedinst, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer