

YORK COUNTY SOLID WASTE AND REFUSE AUTHORITY
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 16, 2022 | YCSWA Management Center

PRESENT (Those who were present via Zoom are indicated by "Z" after their name/title):

Patrick Ball, Chairperson	David Vollero, Executive Director
Matt Sommer, Vice-chairperson (Z)	Jerry Grim, Assistant Executive Director
Felicia Dell, Secretary	Doug Jasitt, Manager, Engineering & Operations
John Klindedinst, Treasurer	Ellen O'Connor, Manager, Community Services (Z)
Chick Renn, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer	Gregg Pearson, Manager, Recycling and Planning (Z)
Jim Arvin, Board Member	Jen Cristofolletti, Community Svcs. Outreach Coord.
Ed Heindel, Board Member	Mindy Waltemyer, Recording Secretary
Fred Ritzmann – Board Member	
Vinny Cannizzaro, Associate Board Member (Z)	
Charles Calkins, Solicitor	

ABSENT:

Tim Malinky, Board Member

VISITORS:

Ryan Begin, Divert, Inc.
Craig Davis, Divert, Inc. (Z)
David Eichinger, Divert Inc.
Alex Cistone, Sullivan Trucking
Joyce Santiago, Affordable Housing Advocates
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, March 16, 2022. Chairperson Ball called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Chairperson Ball then called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Chairperson Ball requested Secretary Dell take roll call. Secretary Dell verified the board had a quorum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairperson Ball called for the approval of the Authority's January 19, 2022 board meeting minutes.

Mr. Renn moved that the January 19, 2022 board meeting minutes be approved. Ms. Dell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DIVISION REPORTS:

Administrative Division

The January 2022 **Financial Reports** were distributed to the board for review in February 2022.

Mr. Heindel moved that the Financial Reports for January 2022 be accepted. Mr. Klinedinst seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Grim presented the **Financial Reports** for February 2022:

The **Accounts Payable Check Register** for March 2022 (check numbers 41928 to 42008) provided disbursements totaling \$897,269.36.

The **Operating Accounts Report** for February 2022 showed the General Checking Account had an ending balance of \$2,000.00, the General Fund Account had an ending balance of \$5,985,933.44, and the Payroll Checking Account had an ending balance of \$1,000.00.

The **Trust Fund Accounts Report** included the Outstanding Loan Balance as of February 28, 2022 of \$5,000,000.

The **Budget Comparison Report** for February 2022 reflected Total Revenues Year to Date (YTD) of \$7,994,580.28 (18.60% of budget), Total Expenses YTD of \$7,271,584.71 (16.91% of budget), and Total Tons of waste received YTD at the YCRRC of 70,907.41 (16.12% of the 440,000- ton goal for the year).

The **Expense Budget Comparison Report** followed.

The **Monthly Receipts Report** for February 2022 showed 34,548 tons of waste were delivered to the YCRRC resulting in Accounts Receivable activity with an ending balance of \$2,864,682.10, Deposits for the month totaled \$3,395,697.58, Total Monies Received YTD for Accounts Receivable and Cash Sales were \$3,577,495.16, Total Monies Received YTD for Energy Sales were \$2,574,379.16, Total Monies Received YTD for York Reduction System (YRS) Metal Sales were \$719,897.84, and the Energy Rate for January 2021 sales was \$0.057/kWh.

The **Past Due Accounts Report** followed.

The **YRS Financial Report** followed.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Ritzmann moved that the Financial Reports for February 2022 be accepted as presented. Mr. Renn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Grim next presented the Authority's 2021 Financial Statement. Discussion followed.

Mr. Arvin moved to approve the Authority's 2021 Financial Statement. Ms. Dell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Vollero then presented the Authority's proposed lease with Divert, Inc. Discussion followed.

Mr. Ritzmann moved to approve the Authority's lease with Divert, Inc. Mr. Renn seconded the motion. Mr. Heindel opposed the motion. All others approved the motion. Motion carried by majority vote.

Regarding his vote of opposition, Mr. Heindel stated for the record:

I consider any action on the proposed lease as recommended to be an unwarranted and unjustified Rush to Judgement. My lack of support is based upon my belief that:

- 1) Analysis to date represents an incomplete and inadequate verification of Divert's financial viability and of its ability to achieve its lofty goals, and*
- 2) The recommended lease contains terms and conditions that are not consistent with industry standards for similar highly leveraged businesses.*

Mr. Grim next presented the Authority's proposed additional lease with York County School of Technology. Discussion followed.

Mr. Klinedinst moved to approve the Authority's additional lease with York County School of Technology. Ms. Dell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Recycling & Planning Division

Mr. Pearson reported that the significant fire at the Penn Waste Material Recovery Facility (MRF) on March 8, 2022 would not affect York County recycling collection. Materials will be processed at non-Penn Waste MRFs in the central PA area. The YCRRRC will not be receiving the typical 100-125 tons per day of recycling residue during the 1-2 years it takes to repair the MRF. Discussion followed.

Mr. Pearson next announced the Authority will be conducting its annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event on Saturday, May 7, 2022 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The new location for the event will be the paved area behind the YCSWA Recycling Drop-off. Discussion followed.

Ms. Waltemyer next reported the Authority will be conducting its annual Earth Day Recycled Art Contest for York County high school students with a public reception occurring on Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 6:30 PM. Discussion followed.

Community Services Division

Ms. Cristofolletti presented the Community Services Division's visions for Communications and Outreach Planning via PowerPoint. Discussion followed.

Engineering & Operations Division

The **YCRRRC Operations Reports** and **Ash Recycling and Processing Facility (ARPF) Reports** for January 2022 were distributed for the board to review in February 2022. Mr. Jasitt noted one opacity meter exceedance greater than the 10% limit associated with Boiler Unit #3 occurred on January 8, 2022 during the 19:00 hour.

Mr. Jasitt presented the **YCRRRC Operations Reports** for February 2022. The average availability of the three combustion units was 94.6%. The turbine generator availability was 100%. Total waste processed was 34,132 tons. Average electricity production was 605 kWh per ton and 20,651,025 kWh were produced. Electricity purchased for the month was 0 kWh. Outbound ash produced was 14,127 tons, of which 11,576 tons were processed at the ARPF and 2,551 tons were disposed at Modern Landfill. There were no emissions excursions in February 2022. No stack testing occurred in February 2022.

Mr. Jasitt then reviewed the **ARPF Reports** for February 2022 which showed there were 110.6 processing hours. Materials disposed at Modern Landfill were 5,327 tons. Materials sold at market included 1,224 tons of ferrous metal and 171 tons of nonferrous metal. Aggregate/sand sent out for reuse was 4,257 tons. 107 tons of unburned materials were returned to the YCRRRC for further processing.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Jasitt and Alex Cistone of Sullivan Hauling next presented Sullivan Hauling's request for a temporary fuel surcharge to billing for YCRRRC ash hauling. Discussion followed.

Mr. Klinedinst moved that the Authority approve a fuel surcharge effective March 17, 2022 at the levels indicated in Sullivan Hauling's March 15, 2022 request throughout the remainder of the contract. Mr. Renn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Vollero reported that he and Ms. Cristofolletti attended the March meeting of the Hopewell Township board of supervisors because a discussion of the potential reuse of the York County Sanitary Landfill (YCSL) was on the agenda. He plans to attend their April meeting to present potential scenarios for the reuse of and changes to the site. Discussion followed.

Mr. Jasitt next presented a modification to Amendment #5 to the YRS Service Agreement which provides for an improved ventilation system for the ARPF. The modification would increase the Authority's funding portion from a maximum of \$75,000 to a maximum of \$125,000. The increased funding is requested due to additional roof fan supports needed for the improved ventilation system. Discussion followed.

Mr. Klinedinst moved to approve the modification to Amendment #5 to the YRS Service Agreement to increase the Authority's funding portion from a maximum of \$75,000 to a maximum of \$125,000. Mr. Arvin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OTHER ITEMS:

The board recognized Mr. Grim for his 35 years of service to the Authority.

The next regularly scheduled York County Solid Waste Authority Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

SOLICITOR REPORT:

Solicitor Calkins had nothing to report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

Executive Director Vollero had nothing to report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairperson Ball recessed the open meeting session at 9:00 P.M.

Chairperson Ball called an executive session to order at 9:11 P.M.

Chairperson Ball adjourned the executive session at 9:35 P.M.

RECALL TO ORDER OF OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING:

Chairperson Ball called back to order the open session at 9:35 PM. Solicitor Calkins commented that items discussed during the executive session were a report to the PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) regarding water testing at the York County Sanitary Landfill; the status of Authority Board associate members; the renewal of the PA DEP's Title 5 permit for Covanta's Delaware Valley Facility; the possible expansion of Modern Landfill; a request for the final evaluations of Executive Director Vollero; and a compensation package for Authority employees.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

Mr. Vollero reported he attended the Covanta leadership workshop regarding their change of leadership/ownership. Discussion followed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairperson Ball called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 P.M.

Mr. Ritzmann moved to adjourn the Authority board meeting. Ms. Dell seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:42 PM.



Felicia Dell, Secretary