

**YORK COUNTY SOLID WASTE AND REFUSE AUTHORITY (YCSWA)**  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, March 20, 2024 | YCSWA Management Center

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

Patrick Ball, Chairperson	Dave Vollero, Executive Director
Felicia Dell, Vice Chairperson (Z)	Jerry Grim, Assistant Executive Director
John Klinedinst, Secretary	Jen Cristofolletti, Manager, Community Services
Chick Renn, Treasurer	Doug Jasitt, Manager, Engineering & Operations
Tim Malinky, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer	Gregg Pearson, Manager, Recycling & Planning
Alex Chiaruttini, Board Member	Mindy Waltemyer, Recording Secretary
Ed Heindel, Board Member	
Joe Mulá, Board Member	
Charles Calkins, Solicitor	

**ABSENT:**

Vinny Cannizzaro, Board Member

**VISITORS:**

David Sharp, Covanta  
Michael Hershey

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The regularly scheduled board of directors meeting of the York County Solid Waste and Refuse Authority (Authority) was held on Wednesday, March 20, 2024. Chairperson Ball called the meeting to order at 6:40 P.M. Chairperson Ball then called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT:**

Solicitor Calkins reported an Executive Session was called to order at 5:37 PM. Items discussed included the potential associate board membership of Michael Hershey; increased Authority health insurance costs; a suggestion from the York County Commissioners to raise the York County Resource Recovery Center (YCRRC) host fee; discussion of a proposed YCSWA employee bonus program; and the performance review of Executive Director Vollero. The Executive Session concluded at 6:37 PM.

**VISITORS:**

Visitors David Sharp of Covanta and Michael Hershey introduced themselves.

**JANUARY 2024 MINUTES:**

Chairperson Ball called for the approval of the Authority's January 17, 2024 board meeting minutes.

*Mr. Mulá moved to approve the January 17, 2024 board meeting minutes. Mr. Renn seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

**DIVISION REPORTS:**

***Administrative Division***

The **January 2024 Financial Reports** were distributed to the board for review in February 2024.

*Mr. Heindel moved to accept the Financial Reports for January 2024. Ms. Chiaruttini seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Mr. Grim presented the **Financial Reports for February 2024:**

The **Accounts Payable Check Register** (check numbers 44445 to 44538) provided disbursements totaling \$1,046,891.23.

The **Operating Accounts Report** showed the General Checking Account had an ending balance of \$2,000.00, the General Fund Account had an ending balance of \$5,461,891.23, 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 29, 2024 of \$3,620,000.00.

The **Budget Comparison Report** reflected Total Revenues Year to Date (YTD) of \$9,210,941.28 (17.25% of budget), Total Expenses YTD of \$8,536,625.31 (15.99% of budget), and Total Tons of waste received YTD at the York County Resource Recovery Center (YCRRC) of 74,162.26 (16.86% of the 440,000-ton goal for the year).

The **Expense Budget Comparison Report** followed.

The **Monthly Receipts Report** showed 34,848 tons of waste were delivered to the YCRRC resulting in Accounts Receivable activity with an ending balance of \$3,601,584.10, Deposits for the month totaled \$3,433,790.78, Total Monies Received YTD for Accounts Receivable and Cash Sales were \$4,673,886.10, Total Monies Received YTD for Energy Sales were \$2,634,401.28, Total Monies Received YTD for YRS Metal Sales were \$756,998.03, and the Energy Rate for July 2023 sales was \$0.050/kWh.

The **Past Due Accounts Report** followed.

The **YRS Ash Financial Report** showed a net savings to the Authority YTD of \$251,022.84.

Discussion followed.

*Mr. Malinky moved to accept the Financial Reports for February 2024 as presented. Mr. Renn seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Mr. Grim then suggested the board adopt the 2023 Financial Statement. Discussion followed.

*Mr. Renn moved to adopt the 2023 Financial Statement. Mr. Malinky seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Mr. Grim next suggested the board authorize Executive Director Vollero and himself to sign documents for business with Pennsylvania-New Jersey-Maryland (PJM) Interconnection. Discussion followed.

*Mr. Heindel moved to authorize Executive Director Vollero and Assistant Executive Director Grim to sign documents for business with PJM Interconnection. Mr. Mulá seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Mr. Grim and Executive Director Vollero then presented a review of the 2024 Authority budget and tip fee considering the January 2024 increased expenses in the Authority's agreement with York Reduction Systems (YRS). Discussion followed. No action was taken to adjust the 2024 Authority budget or tip fee.

#### ***Recycling & Planning Division***

Mr. Pearson requested Ms. Waltemyer, as the Authority's Recycling Coordinator, present information regarding the Authority's Event Recycling and Waste Container Loan Program. Discussion followed.

Mr. Heindel also praised the Authority's medication take-back program which was recently reported on in the Authority's social media postings. Discussion followed.

#### ***Community Services Division***

Ms. Cristofolletti suggested the board adopt Resolution 24-03-01 recognizing fifteen years of service to the Authority board by Matt Sommer. Discussion followed.

*Mr. Klinedinst moved to adopt Resolution 24-03-01 recognizing fifteen years of service to the Authority board by Matt Sommer. Mr. Heindel seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Ms. Cristofolletti then reported the results of the Authority stakeholder survey have been received. The Authority will now conduct a public survey through the end of 2024 and present combined results after the second survey is completed. Discussion followed.

Ms. Cristofolletti also reminded the board of the Authority-sponsored "Go Green Night at the Revs" baseball game on Friday, April 26, 2024 at the York Revolution and appetizers at the Handsome Cab prior to the game. Discussion followed.

#### ***Engineering & Operations Division***

**The YCRRRC Operations Reports and Ash Recycling and Processing Facility (ARPF) Reports for January 2024** were distributed for the board to review in February 2024.

Mr. Jasitt presented the **YCRRRC Operations Reports for February 2024**. The average availability of the three combustion units was 89.9%. The turbine generator availability was 100%. Total waste processed was 36,710 tons. Average electricity production was 556 kWh per ton and 20,421,057 kWh were produced. Electricity purchased was 0 kWh. Outbound ash produced was 14,302 tons, of which 12,111 tons were processed at the Ash Recycling and Processing Facility (ARPF) and 2,190 tons were disposed at Modern Landfill. There were no emissions excursions. No stack testing was conducted.

Mr. Jasitt next reviewed the **ARPF Reports for February 2024** which showed there were 121.2 processing hours. Materials disposed at Modern Landfill were 6,199 tons. Materials marketed included 1,320 tons of ferrous metal and 127 tons of nonferrous metal. Aggregate/sand sent out for reuse was 3,941 tons. 94 tons of unburned material were returned to the YCRRRC for further processing. Discussion followed during which, at Mr. Malinky's request, Executive Director Vollero gave an update on per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) testing at the YCRRRC.

Executive Director Vollero then withdrew agenda item **Expense Authorization for Transfer Station Development** and tabled it until the May 2024 board meeting.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

Solicitor Calkins had nothing to report.

**OTHER ITEMS:**

Mr. Heindel requested Executive Director Vollero give an update regarding alternative YCRRRC ash use studies. Executive Director Vollero reported the studies are not yet complete. Discussion followed.

The next regularly scheduled York County Solid Waste Authority board of directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 6:30 P.M.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Executive Director Vollero reported the Waste-to-Energy Association (WTA), Local Government Coalition for Renewable Energy and other groups are composing comments to submit to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding the EPA's proposed Maximum Achievable Control Technology (MACT) Rules. Discussion followed.

Executive Director Vollero also reported that Divert was unable to overcome wastewater management challenges and has unofficially ended their pursuit of establishing a food waste anaerobic digester on Authority property. Discussion followed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairperson Ball called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 P.M.

*Mr. Malinky moved to adjourn the Authority board of directors meeting. Ms. Chiaruttini seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM.*



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John Klindedinst, Secretary