YORK COUNTY SOLID WASTE AND REFUSE AUTHORITY (YCSWA)
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 16, 2026 | YCSWA Management Center

PRESENT:
Felicia Dell, Chairperson
John Klinedinst, Vice Chairperson
Joe Mulá, Secretary
Patrick Ball, Board Member
Ed Heindel, Board Member
Michael Hershey, Board Member
Jim Morris, Board Member
Courtney Buechler, Solicitor
Dave Vollero, Executive Director
Jerry Grim, Assistant Executive Director
Cindy Helms, Manager, Administrative
Jen Cristofoletti, Manager, Community Services
Doug Jasitt, Manager, Engineering & Operations
Gregg Pearson, Manager, Recycling & Planning
Mindy Waltemyer, Recording Secretary

ABSENT:
Tim Malinky, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer
Chick Renn, Treasurer

VISITORS:
Jared Beuschlein, YCSWA
Chez Morton, Casella Waste
Jon Yinger, Casella Waste
David Sharp, Reworld

CALL TO ORDER:
The regularly scheduled Board of Directors (Board) meeting of the York County Solid Waste and Refuse Authority (Authority) was held on Wednesday, September 16, 2026. Chairperson Dell called the meeting to order at 6:34 P.M. Chairperson Dell then called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:
Chairperson Dell requested Secretary Mulá take roll call. Secretary Mulá verified the meeting had a quorum.

VISITOR RECOGNITION:
Meeting visitors introduced themselves.

Jared Beuschlein, Technical Compliance Specialist with the Authority, was introduced to the Board. Mr. Beuschlein provided a summary of his background.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT:
Solicitor Buechler reported an Executive Session was called to order at 5:34 PM. Items discussed included diversion York County municipal solid waste (MSW) from the York County Resource Recovery

Center (YCRRC), YCRRC ash reuse research, Authority litigation mediation, Authority board vacancies, insurance coverage revisions, and contract bidding. The Executive Session concluded at 6:28 PM.

JULY 2026 MEETING MINUTES:

Chairperson Dell called for edits to or approval of the Authority's July 15, 2026, board meeting minutes, as provided.

Mr. Morris moved to approve the July 15, 2026, board meeting minutes as provided. Mr. Klinedinst seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DIVISION REPORTS:

Administrative Division

The **July 2026 Financial Reports** were distributed to the Board for review in the previous month.

Mr. Klinedinst moved to accept the Financial Reports for July 2026. Mr. Ball seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Grim presented the **Financial Reports for August 2026**:

The **Accounts Payable Check Register** (check numbers 47248 to 47332) provided disbursements totaling $2,194,501.77.

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 $7,405,691.36, 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 August 31, 2026, of $1,476,000.00.

The **Budget Comparison Report** reflected Total Revenues Year-to-Date (YTD) of $43,558,632.17 (73.52% of budget), Total Expenses YTD of $33,273,486.80 (56.16% of budget), and Total Tons of waste received YTD at the YCRRC of 282,628.89 (66.50% of the 425,000-ton goal for the year).

The **Expense Budget Comparison Report** followed.

The **Monthly Receipts Report** showed 35,129 tons of waste were delivered to the YCRRC resulting in Accounts Receivable activity with an ending balance of $2,625,506.25. Deposits for the month totaled $4,996,699.21, Total Monies Received YTD for Accounts Receivable and Cash Sales were $23,660,703.26, Total Monies Received YTD for Energy Sales were $15,664,600.05, Total Monies Received YTD for York Reduction Systems (YRS) Metal Sales were $2,818,160.25, and the Energy Rate for July 2026 sales was $0.057/kWh.

The **Past Due Accounts Report** followed.

The York Reduction Systems (**YRS) Ash Financial Report** showed a net savings to the Authority for the month of $173,975.06.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Klinedinst moved to accept the Financial Reports for August 2026 as presented. Mr. Hershey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Grim next presented the Authority 2027 Budget. Discussion followed.

Mr. Heindel moved to adopt the 2027 budget as presented, specifically authorizing expenditures up to $59,317,000.00 not including Long Term Capital Project Funding or General Surplus Funding for accepting 444,000 tons; also authorizing additional expenditures of $53.16 per ton for each ton processed at the YCRRC over 425,000 tons and additional expenditures of $85.00 per ton for each ton accepted at the Blackbridge Transfer Station over 19,000 tons. The budget establishes the 2027 York County MSW tip fee at $85.00 per ton. Mr. Ball seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Recycling & Planning Division

Mr. Pearson announced that York County waste tons delivered to the YCRRC and diverted to other facilities throughout the first eight months of this year are higher than the first eight months of any other year on record. Discussion followed.

Community Services Division

Ms. Cristofoletti reported the Authority would be facilitating an educational booth at the Horn Farm Pawpaw Festival September 19th.

Ms. Cristofoletti then reminded the board that the Authority will be holding a holiday party for board, staff, and spouses, on Thursday November 19, 2026, at Spruce restaurant.

Ms. Cristofoletti next reported that the Authority educational booth at the York Fair in July went well.

Ms. Cristofoletti then relayed that the media release regarding the Authority budget would be going out by September 18th.

Engineering & Operations Division

The **YCRRC Operations Reports** and **Ash Recycling and Processing Facility (ARPF) Reports for July 2026** were distributed to the board for review in the previous month.

Mr. Jasitt presented the **YCRRC Operations Reports for August 2026**. The average availability of the three combustion units was 94.1%. The turbine generator availability was 100%. Total waste processed was 37,240 tons. Average electricity production was 570 kWh per ton and net electricity produced was 21,215,578 kWh. Electricity purchased was 0 kWh. Outbound ash produced was 12,977 tons, of which 10,958 tons were processed at the ARPF, and 2,019 tons were disposed of at landfills. There were no emissions excursions. No stack testing was conducted.

Mr. Jasitt next relayed the **Authority Safety Report** as of August 31, 2026, which showed 4,395 days at the YCSWA Management Center, Scale House, and Small Load Drop Off Facility without a lost time accident, and 3,892 days at the York County Sanitary Landfill without a lost time accident.

Mr. Jasitt next reviewed the **ARPF Reports for August 2026** which documented 194.0 processing hours. Materials disposed of at landfill were 6,623 tons. Materials marketed included 1,404 tons of ferrous metal, 196 tons of nonferrous metal, and 2,492 tons of aggregate/sand.

Mr. Jasitt then presented Amendment #1 to Change Order PLE-2024-01. The original change order (CO) called for the Authority to reimburse Reworld for SF6 breaker procurement in the budgeted amount of $138,104.00. When the invoice was submitted it contained an additional line item, tariff expense, that was above the authorized CO amount. The Authority reviewed the Siemens proposal, and it did not address tariffs. According to the agreement, a CO needs to be made for any expenses over the approved amount. The Authority is investigating to find out if the tariff will be reimbursed by the current United States administration. In the meantime, staff recommends the board approve the expense reimbursement of $2,490.00 for additional direct costs related to the equipment procurement. Solicitor Beuchler reviewed the matter to confirm it is a reimbursable expense. Discussion followed.

> *Mr. Heindel moved to approve Amendment #1 to Change order PLE-2024-01 as presented, for additional direct costs related to the SF6 breaker procurement in the amount of $2,490.00. The change order is contingent on the Authority solicitor's final approval of the change order form. Mr. Mulá seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Mr. Jasitt next relayed that the Authority staff are going to proceed with the Fly Ash Recycling Development Pilot Project as described in Executive Director Vollero's September 8, 2026, memo to the board, subject to final agreements approved by counsel. Funding for this project will come from Research and Development funds from the 2026 and 2027 budgets.

Chairperson Dell then thanked Mr. Jasitt for providing Blackbridge Transfer Station reports. Discussion followed.

Mr. Heindel then asked a question regarding a Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP) civil penalty paid by the YCRRC operator, Reworld. Discussion followed.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Meeting visitor, Jon Yinger commented on positive interactions with YCSWA staff and YCRRC rejected load procedures. He also had several questions about the Blackbridge Transfer Station Project. Discussion followed.

Meeting visitor, Chez Morton relayed information about Casella Waste, a new hauling company in York County in recent years.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Solicitor Buechler reported that the solicitors are currently working on diversion contracts and change order research for the Authority.

OTHER ITEMS:

Chairperson Dell appointed a Nominating Committee to identify future leadership of the Authority Board. Mr. Morris, Mr. Mulá, and Chairperson Dell will serve on this committee.

NEXT MEETING:

The next regularly scheduled York County Solid Waste Authority Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2026, at 6:30 P.M.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Executive Director Vollero announced that the Authority's Registration Committee is scheduling a meeting to address legal proceedings against a noncompliant hauler. Discussion followed.

Executive Director Vollero then reported that Authority staff attended a meeting with the PA DEP, Reworld, and the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority regarding compliance with the new US Environmental Protection Agency rules for emission standards.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairperson Dell adjourned the meeting at 7:31 P.M.

Joe Mulá, Secretary