MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 10, 2025

The Regular Meeting of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority was held on November 10, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the First Floor Conference Room at the MCMUA Offices located at 370 Richard Mine Road, Wharton, New Jersey in person as well as remotely using conference call software.

Chairman Dour called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and read the following:

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of the location, date and time of this meeting was made by posting on the MCMUA website, the Morris County Clerk's bulletin board and the officially designated newspapers for the MCMUA. The meeting may be attended in person or through remote communication in conformance with the directives of the State of New Jersey. Additional notice regarding remote public access is provided at the MCMUA entrance, on its website and in the Daily Record.

Chairman Dour requested a roll call.

<u>PRESENT</u>: Chairman Dour, Mr. Frank Druetzler, Dr. Arthur Nusbaum, Larry Ragonese and Ms.

Laura Szwak

ABSENT: Mr. James Barry, Ms. Maria Farris, Dr. Dorothea Kominos, and Mr. Ronald Smith

Also present were Larry Gindoff, Executive Director; Michael McAloon, Suburban Consulting Engineers; Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer, Brad Carney, Esq., Maraziti Falcon LLP; Sara Uzatmaciyan, Esq., Maraziti Falcon LLP; James Deacon, Solid Waste Coordinator and Anthony Marrone, District Recycling Coordinator

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Chairman Dour requested MCMUA Counsel, Brad Carney to conduct tonight's public water hearing. Mr. Carney stated that the MCMUA will be conducting the following two public hearings this evening: (1) Public Hearing To Amend The Water Rate Of The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority For 2026; and (2) Public Hearing To Amend Rate Schedule Of The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority To Adjust Solid Waste Fees Effective 2026.

Mr. Carney announced the first public hearing will be to amend the base water rate of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (MCMUA). The MCMUA adopted Resolution 2025-081 at its October 14, 2025 Board meeting setting forth the date and time of this public hearing.

The Resolution called for the provision of notice for a public hearing in two newspapers 20 days prior to the hearing, as well as written notice to each of the MCMUA's water customers. Notice was given in accordance N.J.S.A. 40:14(b)-23 and proofs of publication and mailing notices are on file at the MCMUA offices.

Mr. Carney mentioned that we have a Stenographer, Amelinda Lopez, transcribing everything that is being said, so it is important to be mindful that we don't talk over one another. Mr. Carney read into the record exhibits that have been pre-marked. Mr. Carney stated that we are going to call on the Treasurer and the MCMUA Water Consulting Engineer as witnesses for presentations and testimony. Mr. Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer, was sworn in and then described his capacity as MCMUA Treasurer in response to Mr. Carney's questioning and then proceeded with the presentation of his statement as a basis for the establishment of the proposed amended base water rate. Mr. Carney asked Mr. Kaletcher to confirm his testimony was that he thought the rate increase is both reasonable and necessary and Mr. Kaletcher affirmed his testimony. There were no questions from the Board for Mr. Kaletcher. Mr. Carney opened the hearing to questions from the public to cross examine. There were no members from the public present.

Next Mr. Carney requested Mr. Michael McAloon, MCMUA Water Consulting Engineer, be sworn in. Mr. McAloon was sworn in and then described his capacity as MCMUA Water Consulting Engineer in response to Mr. Carney's questioning and then proceeded with the

presentation of his statement as a basis for the establishment of the proposed amended base water rate. Members of the MCMUA were invited to ask questions regarding Mr. McAloon's testimony and there were no questions from the Board. Seeing no comments, Mr. Carney opened the hearing to questions from the public and there were no members from the public present.

At this time, Mr. Carney recommended that Chairman Dour ask the Board to consider Resolution No. 2025-089, which is a Resolution to increase the water rate of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority for 2026 from \$3,480 per million gallons to \$3,671 per million gallons.

Chairman Dour asked for a motion for the Board's approval of Resolution No. 2025-089

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-089 RESOLUTION TO AMEND WATER RATE OF MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR 2026

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("the Authority") is authorized by the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law (N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq.) to establish rents, rates, fees and other charges and to amend the same from time to time so that the revenues of the Authority will at all times be adequate to pay the expenses of operation and maintenance of the Authority System including reserves, insurance, extensions and replacements, debt service, if any, and to maintain such reserves or sinking funds therefor as may be required by the terms of any contract or as may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Authority adopted Resolution #2025-081 on October 14, 2025 to schedule the public hearing for the proposed amendment of the water rate of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to amend the base water rate from \$3,480.00 to \$3,671.00 per million gallons; and

WHEREAS, the Authority caused Notice to be given in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:14B-23 of a hearing on the proposed amended rate; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was held as noticed at the Authority's Meeting on November 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, testimony regarding reasonableness and necessity of the proposed increase was submitted by Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer, MCMUA and Michael McAloon, P.E., MCMUA Water Consulting Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has considered the matter and has determined that the proposed amendment to the rate is necessary and reasonable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey on this 10h day of November, 2025 as follows:

- 1. The base rate to be charged by the Authority for the provision of water is hereby amended to be \$3,671.00 per million gallons (MG).
- 2. This Resolution shall take effect as provided by law and the amended water rate established by this Resolution shall become effective on January 1, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County

Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on November 10, 2025

	MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
	By:
	Christopher Dour, Chairman
ATTEST:	•
arry Gindoff, Executive Director	

MOTION: Mr. Druetzler made a Motion to amend the base water rate of

the MCMUA to \$3,671 per million gallons and

Mr. Ragonese seconded the Motion.

Mr. Ragonese commented prior to his affirmative vote that he is uncomfortable with the amount of the increase, and would probably push back, but believes the PFAS issue is going to be really difficult for us. While he doesn't like to increase of 5.5%, in this particular case he thinks we have to, so he'll vote yes.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Mr. Carney added to the record the following three additional exhibits: Testimony of Lawrence Kaletcher, Testimony of Michael McAloon and Resolution No. 2025-089. This closes the Public Hearing on the Water Rate.

Ms. Uzatmaciyan conducted the second public hearing to amend the rate schedule of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority to adjust solid waste and vegetative waste fees effective 2026. The MCMUA adopted Resolution No. 2025-083 at the October 14, 2025 Board meeting setting forth the date of this public hearing.

The Resolution called for the provision of notice for a public hearing in the Daily Record and Star Ledger, published on the 19th of October and the 20th of October 2025. Notice was also provided to all Morris County municipal clerks. Notice was given in accordance N.J.S.A. 40:14(b)-23 and proofs of publication and mailing notices are on file at the MCMUA offices.

Ms. Uzatmaciyan read into the record exhibits that have been pre-marked. Ms. Uzatmaciyan called on the Treasurer and the Solid Waste Coordinator as witnesses for presentations and testimony. Mr. Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer, was previously sworn in and proceeded with the presentation of his statement into the record as a basis for the establishment of the proposed new rate schedule. Ms. Uzatmaciyan asked if Mr. Kaletcher agreed his testimony reflects why the proposed rate increase and decrease is necessary and reasonable and Mr. Kaletcher affirmed it is. Ms. Uzatmaciyan invited questions from the Board. Mr. Druetzler asked to confirm that the bagged surcharge being considered for increase only applies to the Mt. Olive facility since bagged materials are only accepted there and Mr. Kaletcher confirmed this fact. There were no other questions from the Board for Mr. Kaletcher. Ms. Uzatmaciyan opened the hearing to questions from the public to cross-examine. There were no members from the public present.

Mr. James Deacon, Solid Waste Coordinator, was sworn in and described his role at the MCMUA in response to Ms. Uzatmaciyan's question. Mr. Deacon proceeded with the presentation of his statement into the record as a basis for the establishment of the proposed amended solid waste and vegetative waste rate schedule. Members of the MCMUA were invited to ask questions regarding Mr. Deacon's the testimony. There were no questions from the Board. Seeing no comments, Ms. Uzatmaciyan opened the hearing to questions from the public. There were no members from the public present.

Ms. Uzatmaciyan recommended that Chairman Dour ask the Board to consider Resolution 2025-090, which is a resolution to amend the rate schedule of the Morris County Municipal Utilities

Authority to adjust solid waste fees effective 2026, as testified by Mr. Kaletcher and Mr. Deacon.

Chairman Dour asked for a motion from the Board's for approval of Resolution. 2025-090:

Mr. Druetzler stated he would move the resolution but first wanted to commend the staff of the MUA. With inflation rising around 3% we're lowering tipping fees by almost 2%. Thanks to the idea to operate the transfer stations with our own staff we have found efficiencies, and I think they have done a super job and I commend them for saving a million dollars forecast for 2026 for the citizens of Morris County by lowering the rate.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-090 RESOLUTION TO AMEND RATE SCHEDULE OF THE MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY TO ADJUST SOLID WASTE FEES EFFECTIVE 2026

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("the Authority" or "MCMUA") is authorized by the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law (N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1, et seq.) to establish rents, rates, fees and other charges and to amend the same from time to time so that the revenues of the Authority system including reserves, insurance, extensions and replacements, debt service, and to maintain such reserves or sinking funds therefor as may be required by the terms of any contract or as may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") owns two transfer stations which are used for the disposal of all waste types 10, 13, 13C, 23, 25 and 27 generated within Morris County, NJ; and

WHEREAS, the rates for the disposal of waste types 10, 13, 13C, 23, 25 and 27 generated within Morris County, NJ may not exceed the rates that are set forth in a Tariff, said Tariff having been approved by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; and

WHEREAS, the Authority owns and operates two vegetative waste processing facilities which are used for the acceptance of vegetative waste for recycling into end products which have fees for these services and products; and

WHEREAS, the Authority adopted Resolution No. 2025-083 on October 14, 2025 to schedule a public hearing for proposed amendments of the rates to adjust solid waste and vegetative waste fees effective 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Authority caused Notice to be given in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:14B-23 of a hearing on the proposed amended rates; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA conducted a Public Hearing, as noticed, on November 10, 2025, at which time testimony was provided by Larry Kaletcher, MCMUA Treasurer and James E. Deacon, MCMUA Solid Waste Coordinator that the adjustments in the rates for the disposal of all waste types and vegetative waste fees are reasonable and necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey on this 10th day of November, 2025 as follows:

The rates of waste types 10, 13, 13C, 23, and 27 are hereby amended from the previous tip fee of \$115.00/ton to a tip fee of \$113.00/ton. The rate of waste type 25 will remain at the previous tip fee of \$101.99/ton, except that in the event that the NJDEP approves a tariff filing or petition proposing to increase tipping fee for waste type 25 to \$113.00/ton in which case the tipping fee for waste type 25 shall be \$113.00/ton upon the date of such

approval from NJDEP.

The Rate Schedule is amended pertaining to "Vegetative Waste and End Product Fees" as follows: <u>Bagged Material Surcharge</u>: All inbound materials accepted in bags will have a \$4.00 per cubic yard surcharge added to the applicable fee for Morris County generated material and a \$5.00 per cubic yard surcharge for non-Morris County generated material. Acceptable bags shall include paper lawn/leaf type bags and must be compostable. Plastic bags are strictly prohibited. Bagged materials are only accepted at the MCMUA's Mount Olive Vegetative Waste Facility.

This Resolution shall take effect as provided by law and the amended rates and amended fees established by this Resolution shall become effective on January 1, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County

Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on November 10, 2025.

	MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
	By:
	Christopher Dour, Chairman
ATTEST:	
Larry Gindoff, Executive Director	

MOTION: Mr. Druetzler made a motion to amend the rate schedule of the Morris County

M.U.A. to adjust solid waste and vegetative waste fees effective 2026 and Ms.

Ragonese seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Ms. Uzatmaciyan added to the record the following three additional exhibits: Testimony of Lawrence Kaletcher, Testimony of James E. Deacon and Resolution No. 2025-090. This concludes the Public Hearing.

Stenographer, Amelinda Lopez, took transcripts of the Public Hearings for the Authority. TRANSCRIPTS OF THE TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE AUTHORITY AND MADE A PART OF THE RECORD.

The public hearings were concluded at 7:30 p.m. The Stenographer was dismissed.

--- END OF PUBLIC RATE HEARINGS ---

Chairman Dour asked for the Board's approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 14, 2025.

MOTION: Mr. Druetzler made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October

14, 2025, and Ms. Szwak seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 3 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: 2

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Kaletcher presented the Treasurer's Report for the Solid Waste Operating and Water Operating for the month of October 2025. Also included are the Solid Waste and Water Comparative Balance Reports through the month of October 2025 and an Investment Report showing one new investment of a renewed CD at 2.73% which should yield \$221,961 after 12 months.

Chairman Dour asked the Board for a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report.

MOTION: Mr. Druetzler made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report

and Mr. Ragonese seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Mr. Kaletcher stated the next two resolutions for the Board's approval are for adopting the 2026 MCMUA solid waste and water budgets. Mr. Kaletcher read the title of Resolution #2025-091 and Chairman Dour asked for a motion to adopt the resolution. Mr. Druetzler made a motion to approve it and it was seconded by Mr. Ragonese.

RESOLUTION 2025-091 2026 SOLID WASTE ADOPTED BUDGET RESOLUTION

Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority

FISCAL YEAR: FROM January 1, 2026 TO December 31, 2026

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget and Capital Budget/Program for the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026 has been presented for adoption before the governing body of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at its open public meeting of November 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget and Capital Budget as presented for adoption reflects each item of revenue and appropriation in the same amount and title as set forth in the introduced and approved budget, including all amendments thereto, if any, which have been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget as presented for adoption reflects Total Revenues of \$59,837,684.00, Total Appropriations, including any Accumulated Deficit, if any, of \$60,904,684.00 and Total Unrestricted Net Assets utilized of \$1,067,000; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Budget as presented for adoption reflects Total Capital Appropriations of \$1,469,401.00 and Total Unrestricted Net Assets planned to be utilized of \$0.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, at an open public meeting held on November 10, 2025 that the Annual Budget and Capital Budget/Program of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority for the fiscal year beginning, January 1, 2026 and, ending, December 31, 2026 is hereby adopted and shall constitute appropriations for the purposes stated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Annual Budget and Capital Budget/Program as presented for adoption reflects each item of revenue and appropriation in the same

amount and title as set forth in the introduced and approved budget, including all amendments thereto, if any, which have been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

		<u>November 10, 2025</u>
Larry Gindoff, Exec	utive Director	Date
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Governing Body	Recorded Vote:	1 st : Mr. Druetzler 2 nd : Mr. Ragonese
Member:	Aye	Nay Abstain Absent
		
MR. BARRY		X
MR. DRUETZLER	X	
MS. FARRIS	A	V
		X
DR. KOMINOS		X
DR. NUSBAUM	X	

X

MR. RAGONESE MR. SMITH

MS. SZWAK

MR. DOUR

Mr. Kaletcher followed up and read the title of Resolution 2025-092 and Chairman Dour asked for a motion to adopt the resolution. Mr. Ragonese made a motion to approve it, and it was seconded by Mr. Druetzler.

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RESOLUTION 2025-092 2026 WATER ADOPTED BUDGET RESOLUTION

Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority

FISCAL YEAR: FROM January 1, 2026 TO December 31, 2026

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget and Capital Budget/Program for the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026 has been presented for adoption before the governing body of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at its open public meeting of November 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget and Capital Budget as presented for adoption reflects each item of revenue and appropriation in the same amount and title as set forth in the introduced and approved budget, including all amendments thereto, if any, which have been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget as presented for adoption reflects Total Revenues of \$6,247,776.00 Total Appropriations, including any Accumulated Deficit, if any, of \$8,484,569.00 and Total Unrestricted Net Assets utilized of \$2,236,793; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Budget as presented for adoption reflects Total Capital Appropriations of \$4,735,000.00 and Total Unrestricted Net Assets planned to be utilized of \$0.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, at an open public meeting held on November 10, 2025 that the Annual Budget and Capital Budget/Program of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority for the fiscal year beginning, January 1, 2026 and, ending, December 31, 2026 is hereby adopted and shall constitute appropriations for the purposes stated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Annual Budget and Capital Budget/Program as presented for adoption reflects each item of revenue and appropriation in the same amount and title as set forth in the introduced and approved budget, including all amendments thereto, if any, which have been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

	November 10, 2025
Larry Gindoff, Executive Director	Date

Governing Body Member:		1 st : <u>Mr. Ragonese</u> 2 ⁿ Nay Abstair	
Member.	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u> Austan	<u>Ausein</u>
MR. BARRY		X	
MR. DRUETZLER	X		
MS. FARRIS		X	
DR. KOMINOS		X	
DR. NUSBAUM	X		
MR. RAGONESE	X		
MR. SMITH		X	
MS. SZWAK	X		
MR. DOUR	X		

Mr. Kaletcher stated he has the Bill Resolution 2025-093 slated for approval after members review the schedule of warrants.

BILL RESOLUTION NO. 2025-093

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the bills as shown on the SCHEDULE OF WARRANTS all having been approved by the Board of officials where legally required, be and the same are hereby paid. The SCHEDULE OF WARRANTS designated as Bill Resolution No. 2025-093 containing 3 pages for a total of \$7,971,862.12 dated and made a part hereof by reference.

SUMMARY

CHECK NUMBERS

WATER OPERATING FUNDS	7114-7137	\$ 101,894.69
SOLID WASTE OPERATING	16416-16496	<u>\$ 7,869,967.43</u>
		\$ 7,971,862.12

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all vouchers listed above have been reviewed and found to be in proper form for payment, and I have compared the SCHEDULE OF WARRANTS to the vouchers for payment and have determined it to be correct.

DATE: November 10, 2025	BOARD CHAIRMAN APPROVAL
SIGNED:	Christopher Dour, Chairman
Larry Gindoff, Executive Director	

TREASURER'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby	certify the	hat there	are sufficient	funds in	the a	ppropriations	charged,	or accounts	listed	to
cover the	expendi	tures incl	uded in the SO	CHEDUL	E OF	WARRANTS	S dated: N	November 10,	, 2025.	

DATE: November 10, 2025	
	Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer

MOTION: Mr. Druetzler made a motion that the vouchers be approved for payment and Mr. Ragonese seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

PURCHASING (Consent Agenda #2025-094- #2025-096)

Chairman Dour explained if any Board members wish to pull a resolution for discussion and/or separate vote from the consent agenda, they are free to request it. Chairman Dour then asked for a Board member to make a motion to approve purchasing resolutions #2025-094 through #2025-096 as a consent agenda.

Chairman Dour asked if the DEF tanks are big tanks and how are we going locate them? Mr. Deacon replied they are only 400 gallon and our county garage has similar tanks. They're outside tanks and will go right next to the current fuel tanks without the need for any real site improvements.

MOTION: Mr. Ragonese made a motion to approve the purchasing Resolutions 2025-094 through 2025-096 as a consent agenda and Mr. Druetzler seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Resolution No. 2025-094

Resolution Authorizing The Second and Final One-Year Extension Of Contract With W. R. Neumann Company, Inc., Trading As Miracle Chemical Company For The Delivery of Sodium Hypochlorite Solution To the MCMUA Water Division

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") awarded a Contract for the Delivery Of Sodium Hypochlorite Solution to the MCMUA Water Division to W. R. Neumann Company, Inc., Trading As Miracle Chemical Company ("CONTRACTOR"), for a term of one (1) year, with an option to extend the term of the contract, to be exercised at the discretion of the MCMUA, for two (2) one (1) year additional period in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2024, the MCMUA adopted Resolution #2024-087 authorizing the first of two potential one-year extensions of the original contract for a one (1) year period; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA desires to extend the term of the original contract for the second optional one-year extension; and

WHEREAS, the price to be paid to the contractor for the second one-year extension will be based on the \$3.605/gal. price proposal for year one, as adjusted not to exceed the change in the index rate for the 12 months preceding the most recently quarterly calculation available at the time the contract is renewed, in accordance with Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. seq.).

WHERAS, the amount for the one-year extension shall not exceed the contract amount of \$36,050.00; and

WHERAS, the MCMUA Treasurer has certified that funds are available in line item 02-6-600-630-320 to pay the entire contract amount for the second one (1) year extension.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The MCMUA finds that the services of Miracle Chemical Company are being performed in an effective and efficient manner.
- 2. The MCMUA authorizes the second one (1) year extension of the existing contract with W. R. Neumann Company, Inc. Trading as Miracle Chemical Company, for Delivery of Sodium Hypochlorite Solution to the MCMUA Water Division.
- 3. The one (1) year extension is not to exceed the contract amount of \$36,050.00.
- 4. The original contract executed on December 18, 2023, between the MCMUA and Miracle Chemical Company, shall remain legal and binding in all respects during the second one (1) year extension period.

- 5. A copy of this Resolution and applicable contract shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, 370 Richard Mine Rd. Wharton, NJ 07885.
- 6. A copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the MCMUA Treasurer and W. R. Neumann Company, Inc., Trading as Miracle Chemical Company, 1151 B Highway #33, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727.
- 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Reorganization Meeting held on November 10, 2025.

	MORRIS COUNT I MONICIPAL
	UTILITIES AUTHORITY
Ву	y:
	Christopher Dour, Chairman
ATTEST:	
Larry Gindoff, Executive Director	

Resolution #2025-095

Resolution of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Authorizing the Purchase Contract with Approved Somerset County Co-Op (Fuel Delivery for the Transfer Stations)

WHEREAS, MCMUA is a party to a cooperative purchasing agreement with the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System, a cooperative purchasing program organized pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq. may, by Resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services through the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System "SOCCP", which has been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA has a need to purchase, on a timely basis, goods or services utilizing the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System contracts; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA intends to enter into contracts with the following Referenced Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System Vendors through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all conditions applicable to the current Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System contracts;

Red Dyed #2 Diesel Fuel, Red Dyed Winter Blend Diesel & Fuel Oil – National Fuel - CC-0036-25 - \$45,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the MCMUA authorizes the Qualified Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from those approved Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System Vendors on the afore mentioned list, pursuant to all conditions of the individual Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System contracts; and

BE IT FURTHERED RESOLVED; that the governing body of the MCMUA pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), the certification of available funds, shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or no contract amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for prior to placing the order, and a certification of availability of funds is made by the Treasurer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the duration of the contracts between the MCMUA and the Referenced State Contract Vendors shall be from November 10, 2025 to February 28, 2026.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately,

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal

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Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on November 10, 2025.

	UTILITIES AUTHORITY
	By:
	Christopher Dour, Chairman
ATTEST:	
Larry Gindoff, Executive Director	

Resolution #2025-096

Resolution of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Authorizing the Purchase of DEF Tanks Through the Sourcewell Cooperative Pricing system 081524-TAN (Transfer Stations)

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (MCMUA) is authorized by N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 to make purchases and contracts for services through the use of a nationally-recognized and accepted cooperative purchasing agreement that has been developed utilizing a competitive bidding process by another contracting unit within the State of New Jersey, or within any other state, and further provided that the contracting unit has made a determination that the use of a cooperative purchasing agreement will result in cost savings after all factors have been considered; and

WHEREAS, the Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) for the MCMUA has determined that the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program (Sourcewell) is a nationally-recognized and accepted cooperative purchasing system and agreement that has been developed utilizing a competitive bidding process by another contracting unit, as it is a service cooperative created by the Minnesota legislature as a local unit of government. Minn. Const. art. XII, sec. 3. As a public corporation and agency, Sourcewell is governed by local elected municipal officials and school board members. Minn. Stat. § 123A.21 Subd. 4 (2017); and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA QPA has further determined that Sourcewell utilizes a cooperative purchasing system and agreement that complies with the competitive bidding process set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law at N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., and meets the criteria of the New Jersey pay-to-play law at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell has advertised and awarded cooperative purchasing agreements for a variety of goods and equipment, including DEF Tanks; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2025, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority publicly advertised a Notice of Intent to Award a Contract for the purchase of (2) DEF Tanks through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program under a National Cooperative Purchasing Agreement. The associated public comment period ended on October 12, 2025 and no comments were received; and

WHEREAS, through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program, the purchase of (2) DEF Tanks is available for purchase through Blue1 DEF Solutions in the total amount of \$26,399.00.; and

WHEREAS, a cost savings analysis was done by the MCMUA QPA and it was determined that the MCMUA would save \$5,279.80 by obtaining the (2) DEF Tanks from the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, all required documentation, including, New Jersey Business Registration Certificate; Statement of Corporate Ownership; Public Contract EEO Compliance Form (Affirmative Action) and Non-collusion Affidavit has been obtained from the vendor in accordance with New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, in lieu of a separate certification of funds, the maximum dollar value of this contract is \$26,399.00 as per N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4(a) 3; and

WHEREAS, the funding for this purchase shall come from account #01-1-900-000-128.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that it does hereby authorize the award of contract through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program for the purchase of (2) DEF Tanks in the amount of \$26,399.00.

This Resolution shall take effect as provided by law.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on November 10, 2025.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
By:
Christopher Dour, Chairman

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Gindoff had no updates on the included correspondence. He did complement Mr. Carney on his effective correspondence with Stephen Bishop, of NJAW in getting NJAW to submit its request to BPU. Mr. Druetzler requested a project progress timeline be provided as part of the solid waste report in the future to help in keeping track of this long, drawn-out project.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT:

WATER

1. 10/28/2025 Comments by Chris Dour with Larry Gindoff certification regarding NJDEP's joint consent order settlement with Dupont.

SOLID WASTE

- 1. 10/21/2025 emails between Brad Carney, Esq. and Stephen Bishop, Esq. representing NJAW regarding expediting the BPU application for obtaining public water at the Mt. Olive transfer station. The 10/21/2025 petition filed by NJAW is also included.
- 2. 11/5/2025 Letter from James Deacon to Township of Montville requesting comment regarding Dan Como & Sons request for Plan Inclusion of a mixed Class B and C recycling center.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mr. McAloon provided the following updates: (1) Water sales are ahead of 2023 and 2024 due to several neighboring systems who have capital improvement needs that are relying on our water to satisfy their system demands. We're on pace to have our second highest production year ever, 2021 was the highest. (2) We did submit the written request to JCP&L for full reimbursement of the John Garcia emergency repair from when they drilled into the side of our 24" main. (3) We did finally get the silicon controlled rectifier (SCR) device that we've been waiting for quite some time at Flanders Valley but we had a complete motor failure when we started it up for the first time. It's probably an inherent issue within that motor that was causing the failure of the starter, which then in turn, when we fixed the starter, became evident where our issue was. Working with Tony, we're going to coordinate the replacement of that motor but we'll have to wait to do the final startup synchronization and sequencing of the electrical breakers with the new generator. Tony has a spare

and we were still considering if we should install the spare that we have, knowing that we are soon to do PFAS improvements at this facility. (4) Regarding Pleasant Hill Road 24" PCCP, the contractor (UCC) is waiting to do the final cutting caps and connections as part of the project. A meeting was held with Randolph Township to discuss some of their asphalt repair concerns. We're working through what the next steps are with that. Phase two is currently out to bid, we take bids on Thursday, 20th of November, which picks up the new 12" main where we left it off by the Greenway and once installed, gets us past Park Avenue and then we'll abandon another 2,500 feet in place. Hopefully we have award in December and shovel in the ground first thing in the new year. (5) Regarding Water Exploration, H2M is making good progress, going through the OPRA documents that were submitted to the state and we anticipate getting another workshop meeting with them in the very near future. Mr. Druetzler asked for a better explanation of the OPRA requests and Mr. McAloon responded that it is a data request to pull water allocation permits of nearby water sources revealing operating limits and how much water can be pulled from the ground or from surface water sources. The goal for that is to see if any of the neighboring systems have additional allocation that they're not using. (6) Provided a correction to the DeEnn numbers provided in his Engineer's Report related to the Mt. Olive transfer station motor control center. The correct value of work completed to date should be \$85,741, which represents 53% of the work completed. (7) Regarding DOT improvements at the Rt. 80 Howard Blvd. bridge, DOT put the 16 " stub in a few weeks ago and then there are two other utility crossings where they need to install the storm water and during that time they need to protect our plate. We will coordinate the schedule as we anticipate the storm water improvements will probably be early next year, SCE has somebody out there to represent the MCMUA's interests. SCE is tracking its efforts separately as the agreement the MUA entered several years ago allows the MUA to get reimbursement when that project's done, SCE will be able to print out all invoices and submit them to DOT for reimbursement.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

PROJECT STATUS

1. General System:

- A. Through the month of Oct 2025, MCMUA sold approximately **1,447.631 MG**. This amount is approximately 113.820 MG more than the amount sold in the same time period in 2024 and approximately 178.450 MG more than the amount sold in the same time period in 2023.
- B. SCE has assisted in the preparation of Annual Capital Improvement Plans, annual budgeting process. SCE is prepared to provide Rate Hearing Testimony for the 2025 Water Rate at the November meeting.
- C. SCE has submitted a request to JCP&L for the full reimbursement of the \$13,748.69 associated with the John Garcia emergency repair work performed on Thursday September 4, 2025, as part of the Emergency and On-Call Services Contract. We will actively follow up until the MUA has received full reimbursement.

2. Flanders Valley #1 and #2 Generator Replacements

Rockwell/Turtle and Hughes has furnished and installed the failed Silicon Controlled Rectifier (SCR) device which controls the voltage applied to a motor during start-up, allowing for a gradual increase to full voltage. Unfortunately, during start-up and testing of the well pump following the installation of this component, we experienced a complete motor failure of the existing motor. Independent Meggar testing was performed on the motor when the issues first arose which did not indicate there was a problem with the motor, however, it is necessary that this motor is replaced. Additionally, the final startup, synchronization and sequencing of the electrical breakers at the facility is awaiting the replacement of this motor

Project Completion Summary Through November 10, 2025

Contract Start Date May 13, 2024
Original Contract Completion Time 365 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed: 366 100%

Days Remaining: 0 0%
Original Contract Completion Date May 13, 2025

Project Financial Summary Through November 10, 2025

Original Contract Amount	\$520,798.00
Payment Application #1	\$19,230.54
Payment Application #2	\$34,300.00
Payment Application #3	\$42,605.50
Payment Application #4	\$7,840.00
Payment Application #5	\$369,082.84
Payment Application #6	\$14,084.53
Total Value of Work Complete	\$497,085.11
Percent of Work Complete	95%
Total Retainage to Date	\$9,941.70

3. Pleasant Hill Road 24-Inch PCCP Retirement – Phase I

Underground Utilities Corp. is currently awaiting the necessary materials to perform a wet tap and line stop; two remaining components of the project that are necessary to be completed. The wet tap to make the final connection to the existing main, and the line stop to perform the necessary isolation of the pipeline to facilitate the necessary cutting and capping of the old pipeline. Currently these materials are anticipated to arrive in early November. The work will be coordinated and scheduled.

Township of Randolph has formally requested additional temporary asphalt pavement be installed above the trenches, prior to the Phase II project, which will include a full 2" mill and repaving from edge of pavement to edge of pavement. A field meeting was held on Tuesday, October 14, with representatives from MCMUA, SCE, the Contractor, as well as Randolph to further discuss scope and schedule. UUC provided a price of approximately \$37,500 to perform the additional asphalt repairs. MCMUA has respectfully requested cost contribution from Randolph to cover the additional future service stubs to allow the MUA to cover the cost of the additional paving. We are still awaiting final direction from Randolph regarding this.

Project Completion Summary Through November 10, 2025

Contract Start Date		June 23, 2025
Original Contract Completion Time		120 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed:	120	100%
Days Remaining:	0	0%
Original Contract Completion Date		October 21, 2025

Project Financial Summary Through November 10, 2025

Original Contract Amount	\$1,282,980.00
Payment Application #1	\$965,510.11
Payment Application #2	\$156,027.76
Total Value of Work Complete	\$1,121,537.87
Percent of Work Complete	89.2%
Total Retainage to Date	\$22,888.53

4. Pleasant Hill Road 24-Inch PCCP Retirement – Phase II

SCE has prepared bid documents for the Pleasant Hill Road 24-Inch PCCP Retirement – Phase II project. Below is the anticipated bid schedule:

Publication of Notice to Bidders: Tuesday, October 14, 2025
 Bids Due: Thursday, November 20, 2025

• Contract Award: Anticipated on Tuesday, December 09, 2025

This project is a continuation of the Pleasant Hill Road 24-Inch PCCP Retirement – Phase I. The project begins at the termination point of the Phase I project, and continues the installation of 12-inch watermain to approximately 200' past Park Avenue and Pleasant Hill Road intersection. This project is critical to retire the aging 24-Inch PCCP pipeline, which had the substantial break in April of 2024. There will be a final phase of this project which completes the replacement of the final section to Dover-Chester Road.

5. Water Exploration Engineer

H2M has continued with the following work tasks:

- OPRA requests were filed with the NJDEP mid-October (immediately after MCMUA approved our request list); please note that initially, H2M had to file these requests in batches due to the OPRA office's limit on the number of requests that could be submitted per email address, per day. Due to the sheer volume of data associated with our request, DEP raised a flag and requested a meeting with H2M, wherein which we explained the goal of these requests. This has subsequently opened up a direct line of communication with the OPRA office to be able to request data in a more efficient manner, beneficial to both us and the DEP.
- DEP has provided Water Allocation Permits (WAP) data for the majority of the system requests that were put in, with the exception of the handful of systems that do not have WAPs (as they solely bulk purchase).
- H2M is currently working through this recent offload of data, permits, and associated staff reports to continue mining for information on any inactive/decommissioned wells and other useful data. Similarly to what was presented during our last workshop, H2M will map this data and continue looking for potential resources that may be beneficial to MCMUA.
- The DEP has agreed to an iterative process of data requests; as H2M digs through this first round of information, if there are opportunities for more detailed data requests that would naturally be available through OPRA, DEP can provide these additional materials to us directly, via the communication line that has been established.

Project Financial Summary Through November 10, 2025

Original Contract Amount	\$86,000.00
Payment Application #1	\$5,222.40
Total Value of Work Complete	\$5,222.40
Percent of Work Complete	6%

6. Mt. Olive Transfer Station Motor Control Center Improvements

Dee-En Electrical Contracting, Inc. is continuing coordinating a technician from the manufacturer to remediate the damage to the new Motor Control Conter (MCC) cabinet. SCE will provide an update on the status at the meeting.

Project Completion Summary Through November 10, 2025

Contract Start Date		May 13, 2024
Original Contract Completion Time		240 Calendar Days
Amended Completion Time		174 Calendar Day
		Extension
Days Elapsed:	450	100%
Days Remaining:		0%
Original Contract Completion Date		January 8, 2025
Amended Completion Date		July 1, 2025

Project Financial Summary Through November 10, 2025

Original Contract Amount	\$159,900.00
Payment Application #1	\$7,199.08
Payment Application #2	\$1,715.00
Payment Application #3	\$17,434.20
Payment Application #4	\$57,677.90
Total Value of Work Complete	\$26,886.00
Percent of Work Complete	53.6%
Total Retainage to Date	\$1,714.82

3M Aqueous Film Forming Foam Settlement –

A discussion will be held in closed session regarding the schedule and status of the next Payments.

SOLID, HAZARDOUS AND VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:

Mr, Deacon provided the following updates: (1) MCMUA received two new case CX 260E excavators and now the pending heavy equipment to operate the transfer stations in December is down to only two excavators in Parsippany which are expected soon. (2) Reported on the successful Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment hearing conducted by the County Commissioners on November 5 when the inclusion of the Mascaro contracts for transport and disposal were approved. (3) The pit scale rebid is on the street. (4) Commented on how H2M has been doing a great job working on the ARCO roof project at Parsippany transfer. (5) The last one-day HHW event took place this this past Saturday the 8th, at CCM in parking lot number one and the 854 vehicles processed is a positive number especially this late in the season. Marks the most vehicles since the event at the academy in September of 2020. (6) Mentioned the bid for the North tipping floor repair was on the street and it was asked if this is the end of the floor repairs. Mr. Deacon stated the main floor on Parsippany was not coated with the Euclid material and we anticipate having to redo that floor again in about 4 years from now. (7) Informed everyone that the season's screening activities at the compost sites are now done and we are working at discarding the excessive residual tailings from each site. This was one of the primary reasons for instituting the bagging surcharges since bagged materials generate such a high level of contaminants which need to be screened and disposed. (8) Discussed how we have on-boarded almost everyone we sought from the existing Mascaro crews for the operations of the transfer stations. Mascaro has been very cooperative in working through the process of obtaining CDLs for those employees who need them in order to be employed by the MCMUA. Mr. Gindoff provided kudos to the County Personnel Department for the tremendous effort they have put forth in helping the MCMUA hire these new employees.

SOLID, HAZARDOUS AND VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

The internal solid waste budget meeting for 2026 took place on Thursday, September 25. Heavy focus, planning, and discussions took place around the MCMUA assuming operations at both transfer stations come December 16, 2025, along with the five-year budgeting plan in-line with these new transfer station contracts with J.P. Mascaro and Sons. The Board's budget committee meeting then took place on September 30, reviewing the proposed solid waste budget followed by our Water Division. The Board was presented with copies of the proposed budgets prior to meeting on October 14. At the meeting, a resolution was adopted introducing the solid waste budget for submittal to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for its approval of the MCMUA adopting a corresponding resolution at the November 10 meeting, which formally adopts the solid waste budget. Likewise, a resolution establishing the 2026 solid waste fee hearing to take place at the November meeting was adopted at the October 14 meeting and its corresponding resolution approving such fee changes will be presented at the November meeting following the rate hearing. The proposed solid waste tipping fee at both MCMUA transfer stations will decrease by \$2.00 per ton, from the current \$115/ton to \$113/ton in 2026. Also, to manage rising costs associated with residual waste generated after our compost screening program, the MCMUA is proposing to increase the current \$2.00 per cubic yard (CY) surcharge for all inbound materials delivered in bags. The proposed surcharge is to increase to a \$4.00 per CY surcharge for Morris County customers, and \$5.00 per CY for out-of-County. This surcharge will be added to the applicable fee based on the inbound material. Acceptable bags

shall remain as paper lawn/leaf bags and must be compostable, and these bagged materials are only accepted at the MCMUA's Mount Olive facility.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

MCMUA Transfer Station Transportation and Disposal Bids- Contract execution for Bid #2025-SW01 (Mount Olive Transfer Station) and Bid #2025-SW02 (Parsippany Transfer Station) occurred on July 8. Following the execution of the contracts, the MCMUA staff conducted a Solid Waste Advisory Council (SWAC) meeting on August 21 resulting in SWAC Resolution #01-2025, recommending the Morris County Board Commissioners amend the Plan to include the new contracts and to reaffirm the existing disposal locations. By way of a similar MCMUA Board Resolution #2025-067 at the September 9 meeting, the Board also recommended the approval of the Plan amendment to the Commissioners. The Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners then prepared Resolution #2025-812 and the legal notice setting the date of Wednesday, November 5 at 7:00PM for a public hearing at a County Commissioner meeting. On November 5, the Commissioners adopted a resolution amending the Plan to include the new contracts with J.P. Mascaro and Sons. There was no public comment received with respect to this Plan Amendment. Everything will now be sent by the County Commissioners to the NJDEP for its certification.

Dan Como & Sons, Inc. (Como)- also known as "The Mulch Depot", located at #3 Como Court (Block 41; Lot 1) in the Towaco section of Montville Township. Back in the Fall of 2022, Como requested a Plan Inclusion from an exempt leaf transfer facility to a New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) approved Multi-Class (B &C) Recycling facility. The MCMUA involved Montville Township who had some concerns over the impact on the ground water quality as it pertains to the Como property and secured their own hydrogeologist to conduct a groundwater investigation to determine potential effects of the proposed operation on the municipal water supply. More recently, Montville Township contacted the MCMUA direct about moving forward and approving the Como Plan Inclusion at the Municipal level. Please refer to correspondence included in the November 10 Board packet for the formal letter requesting a resolution from the Township approving a potential Plan Inclusion for Como. It is anticipated that Montville will now act on providing a consenting resolution fairly quickly to the MCMUA. Much like the process described for the transfer station contract Plan amendment above, once a resolution is received from Monville, it will start the Plan amendment process to include this proposed facility which involves SWAC, MCMUA, County Commissioner resolutions followed by NJDEP certifying the proposed amendment.

TRANSFER STATIONS

Tonnage- The 42,728 tons of solid waste accepted at the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations in October 2025 was 0.82% greater than the 42,380 tons accepted a year ago in October of 2024. With the first ten (10) months of actual data managed at the transfer stations for 2025, it is currently projected that a total of 482,562 tons will be accepted for all of 2025 which would represent a 1.21% increase over the 476,803 tons accepted for all of 2024. Please refer to the attached Transfer Station Disposal Report by Month and the comparison statistics listed below for additional information.

October Monthly Transfer Station Comparison Statistics (2024 to 2025): Mount Olive Transfer Station:

Inbound Tonnage- About 16,562- 43 more tons than 2024 Total Customers- 4,303- 204 less than 2024 Self-Generated/ Residential Customers- 894- 47 less than 2024

Parsippany-Troy Hills Transfer Station:

Inbound Tonnage- About 26,165- 304 more tons than 2024 Total Customers- 6,159- 66 more than 2024 Self-Generated/ Residential Customers- 527- 66 more than 2024

MCMUA Transfer Station Manager Justin Doyle continues to maintain communication with Case Equipment/GT Mid Atlantic regarding all the "yellow" heavy machinery designated for the two (2) transfer stations. On October 22 and October 23, all five (5) Case 1121G Wheel loaders were delivered to the Parsippany (3) and Mount Olive (2) stations. MCMUA personnel also relocated the four (4) of the eight (8) total yard jockey trucks that were stored at our Curbside

facility to the Mount Olive transfer station. The four (4) jockeys slated for Parsippany are planned to be moved in the next few weeks. Back in early September, the MCMUA had received all three (3) Case SV280B Skid Steer Loaders, which included the 84" bucket, 84" hydraulic broom, 84" snow blower, 88" scrap grapple bucket, and 48" pallet fork attachments. The first week of October, the two (2) Ford F350 Utility "Shop" trucks for the onsite Mechanics were received. These shop trucks are now being outfitted by our Curbside Mechanics- which includes tools, generators, air compressors, welders, and a Western 1.5 Marauder poly hopper spreaders/electric salters. With both (2) Karcher MCM 600 diesel mechanical sweepers in place and currently being utilized daily, the only pending equipment needed for the December 16 start date is the solid tire low profile 15' dump trailer for the Mount Olive tunnel and four (4) new Case CX260E (2 for MOTS) and CX290D (2 for PT) excavators with Pemberton grapples which may arrive within the next two (2) weeks.

On October 30, the MCMUA Operations team held a productive follow-up meeting with Mr. Tim Laux, the Director of Operations, and Mr. Mark Cesare, the Corporate Customer Service Manager of J.P. Mascaro and Sons (Mascaro), at the Parsippany-Troy Hills transfer station to discuss details related to the new contracts effective December 16, 2025. Mascaro has organized CDL training sessions for all current employees who will require them in their new County roles and Civil Service titles. These employees are actively participating in the classes and are nearing completion. Mr. Laux has been keeping the staff informed about the topics discussed in the meeting that need to be addressed before the contract concludes. MCMUA personnel are still collaborating closely with the Morris County Division of Personnel regarding the next steps for staffing the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations by December 2025. A group of prospective employees has already been approved for hiring.

The Morris County Division of Personnel and MCMUA staff conducted a final onsite meeting with potential staff on October 15, which included the four (4) Mascaro employees who could not attend the earlier meeting dates of September 24 and 25. Since these meetings, the MCMUA staff continues to work with County Personnel and has performed the necessary interviews for the positions that need to be filled, which are currently open due to some Mascaro staff not accepting the job offers. The staff has been coordinating with the Personnel department to onboard these new hires. Staff are enthusiastic about bringing these employees into the MCMUA team.

Mount Olive Transfer Station Pit Scale Replacement Project- All labor, materials, and equipment to remove the existing pit scale, then furnish and install two (2) sets of axle and gross weighing truck scales and related appurtenances. This scale system is comprised of three (3) separate weighing platforms with configurations of a 15' long platform to accommodate the truck's steering axle, a 15' long platform to accommodate the drive axle and a 15' long platform to accommodate the trailer axle. There is also approximately 20' feet of dead space between driver and trailer axle as per the existing foundation. By way of Resolution #2025-077 adopted at the October 14 Board meeting, the one (1) bid received from Mettler-Toledo, LLC was rejected due to multiple material defects. This resolution also directed MCMUA staff to readvertise Bid #2025-SW05 for the pit scales which took place on October 24. The deadline for submission of written questions regarding this project was Friday, October 31, with the MCMUA receiving none. Bids will now be due on November 25 at 11:30AM with potential contract award at the December 9 MCMUA Board meeting.

Solid Waste Professional Engineering Services- 2024-2025 planned projects and improvements involving the Alaimo Group (Alaimo), H2M, and Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE) at the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations. Updates will be provided to the Board at the November 10 meeting:

Parsippany-Troy Hills Transfer Station

• The North Tipping Floor/Small Floor at the Parsippany-Troy Hills transfer station will undergo a complete replacement of the deteriorating floor utilizing Euclid Chemical's EucoFloor 404 materials. This project will also involve enhancements and replacement of the trench drain system, which currently employs the same plasma cut steel grate at the Mount Olive facility, as well as the installation of new safety bollards and concrete attenuators to mitigate future damage to the building caused by heavy equipment. Bid 2025-SW06 was announced publicly on October 17, and three (3) bid packages were collected from Alaimo. A non-mandatory site visit was arranged onsite on October 27 at

- 11:00AM, but no potential bidders were present. Questions on the Bid were due to be submitted to the MCMUA by 3:00PM on Friday, November 7, but no inquiries were received. Bids are now due on Friday, November 21 for potential award at the December 9 MCMUA Board meeting. Updates will be provided by Alaimo at the November 10 Board meeting.
- Parsippany-Troy Hills <u>Transfer Station Roof</u> and Partial Fascia Replacement-Replacement of the 32,300 square foot (SF) standing seam metal roof, 10,000 SF of metal siding, 560 linear feet (LF) of metal gutters, and full replacement of the membrane (EPDM) roof of the transfer station offices- Arco Construction, Inc. (Arco) from West Caldwell. Arco has been present onsite since September 9, and as of November 5, the West side of the main building roof is approaching completion. This includes the installation of gutters, fascia, soffit, and roofing. The project is expected to reach completion by late December, contingent upon weather conditions. H2M continues weekly communication and site visits/inspections with the MCMUA staff.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) MANAGEMENT

Program Participation- During the month of October 2025, the permanent HHWF had a total of 278 serviced appointments, which included 259 Morris County residents, 5 VSQG/small businesses, and 14 out-of-County residents. As comparison for the Board, in October of 2024, the permanent HHWF had a total of 181 serviced appointments, which included 167 Morris County residents, 10 out-of-County residents, and 4 VSQG/small business. 2025 HHW facility totals are now 2,458 serviced appointments after ten (10) months- 2,239 Morris County residents, 179 out-of-County residents, and 40 VSQG/small businesses.

The final 2025 MCMUA Household Hazardous Waste Program One-Day Drop-Off event will take place on **Saturday, November 8, 2025**, at the County College of Morris (CCM)- Parking Lot #1, 214 Center Grove Road, Randolph, New Jersey 07869. The first and only time CCM hosted a drop-off event in June of 2019, the MCMUA staff processed 706 vehicles. A summary of the details of this event will be provided to the Board during the November 10 meeting.

VEGETATIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

The MCMUA Vegetative Waste staff have begun preparing for leaf season making windrows and starting the extended hours for our Parsippany facility on Saturdays. The MCMUA rented a Phoenix 2100 trommel screener from Emerald Equipment for one (1) full month-splitting operations at both sites. Mount Olive started screening all the site's compost on September 15 and finished up on September 23. From the start till September 19, staff screened 5,000 CY (cubic yards) from the windrows and produced 3,100 CY of good material. On both September 22 and 23, staff rescreened the 602 CY from the tailing/overs pile and recovered another 350 CY of material for the free pile staged near the facility's entrance gate. Total tailings/overs for disposal at the Mount Olive transfer station= 308 CY. Staff cleaned on and around the screener, folded it up, ready for transport to Parsippany on September 24. Parsippany started screening the following Monday but had some equipment issues causing delays. Emerald Equipment Systems repaired the machine and extended the rental at their expense to compensate for these issues. Due to a few weather events, screening at Parsippany was finished on October 23. In a total of 107 hours of runtime on the Phoenix 2100, MCMUA staffed screened the entire site ending up with 8,309 CY of good material. As of the writing of this report, inbound lake weed to Mount Olive from Lake Hopatcong is 140 CY (last inbound load was September 11) and Lake Musconetcong at 180 CY, letting staff know they were finished. Additional vegetative waste flow information can be found in the Vegetative Waste Report provided at the November 10 Board meeting.

Stormwater Permits, General Approval, and related Administrative Actions- MCMUA staff continues to work with both the NJDEP and Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE) on the following projects:

 Modification Application concerning the renewal of the Mount Olive facility's Multi-Class (B&C) Recycling Center General Approval- On August 21, MCMUA staff received an email from the NJDEP reporting that the submittal is now "administratively complete." Staff is now awaiting the physical copy of the NJDEP General Approval for Mount Olive.

- MCMUA staff continues to work with SCE on the required Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SPPP), Best Management Practices (BMP), and Drainage Control Plans (DCP) that need to be submitted to the NJDEP within six (6) months from the effective date of the new Wood Waste Recycling and Leaf Composting (WRC) general New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) stormwater permits.
- The MCMUA staff received the final Mount Olive and Parsippany facility Site Plans from SCE and had the physical copies all signed by the Morris County Fire Marshal's Office (MCFM). These finalized copies have been posted onsite within the office trailers and sent to the NJDEP.

The MCFM also updated the Fire Control Plan for the Parsippany facility and is currently working on updating the Mount Olive Plan.

RECYCLING REPORT:

Mr. Druetzler stated he had an observation which he has no solution but notices that solid waste disposal is trending up with recycling trending down and that is scary as far as recycling goes. Mr. Gindoff suggests a lot has to do with light-weighting of packaging in addition to the high costs of recycling processing and the market's limiting of the acceptable material listing. Mr. Marrone stated we are working hard with towns to make sure they keep their education initiatives active on combat these trends.

Mr. Marrone asked for the Board's approval of four resolutions, 2025-097 through 2025-100, as a consent agenda authoring 5-year shared services agreements for the collection of curbside recycling from the following three municipalities as well as one private condominium complex:

- 1. Resolution #2025-097 Township of East Hanover
- 2. Resolution #2025-098 Township of Boonton
- 3. Resolution #2025-099 Borough of Chester
- 4. Resolution #2025-100 The Collection at Morristown, Condominium Association, Inc.

MOTION: Mr. Ragonese made a motion to approve four resolutions, 2025-097 through 2025-100, as a consent agenda, and Mr. Druetzler seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-097

Resolution Authorizing The Execution Of An Agreement To Provide For Curbside Collection, Transporting, And Marketing Of Recyclable Materials Between The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority And The Township of East Hanover Commencing On Or About January 1, 2026

WHEREAS, the provisions of the "New Jersey Statewide Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act," (N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.11 et al.) (the "Act"), require every municipality in this State to provide for the source separation and recycling of marketable materials generated from residential premises within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Township of East Hanover ("Municipality" or "Township") has adopted and enforces a mandatory source separation ordinance for Recyclable Materials; and

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") desires to assist municipalities in meeting their recycling goals pursuant to the Act by providing curbside pick-up and a convenient outlet for disposal of recyclables; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Municipal and County Utilities Authority Law <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:14B-1 et seq., the MCMUA may enter into contracts with municipalities for the provision of recycling services; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA is authorized as a local unit pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., to enter into a contract with any

other local unit to provide or receive any service that each local unit participating in the Agreement for the provision of any service which that local unit is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, uniform shared services agreements may be awarded apart from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA and the Township of East Hanover desires to execute a new five (5) year agreement for curbside collection and marketing of recyclable materials commencing on January 1, 2026 and ending on December 31, 2030, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority as follows:

- 1. The Executive Director of the MCMUA is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement entitled "Agreement to Provide for the Curbside Collection, Transporting, and Marketing of Recyclable Materials Between the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority and the Township of East Hanover commencing on or about January 1, 2026."
- 2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2) of the Local Public Contracts Law.
- 3. The Authority's staff and consultants are hereby authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on November 10, 2025.

	MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
	By:
	Christopher Dour, Chairman
ATTEST:	
Larry Gindoff, Executive Director	

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-098

Resolution Authorizing The Execution Of An Agreement To Provide For Curbside Collection, Transporting, And Marketing Of Recyclable Materials Between The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority And The Township of Boonton Commencing On Or About January 1, 2026

WHEREAS, the provisions of the "New Jersey Statewide Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act," (N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.11 et al.) (the "Act"), require every municipality in this State to provide for the source separation and recycling of marketable materials generated from residential premises within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Township of Boonton ("Municipality" or "Township") has adopted and enforces a mandatory source separation ordinance for Recyclable Materials; and

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") desires to assist municipalities in meeting their recycling goals pursuant to the Act by providing curbside

pick-up and a convenient outlet for disposal of recyclables; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Municipal and County Utilities Authority Law N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq., the MCMUA may enter into contracts with municipalities for the provision of recycling services; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA is authorized as a local unit pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., to enter into a contract with any other local unit to provide or receive any service that each local unit participating in the Agreement for the provision of any service which that local unit is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, uniform shared services agreements may be awarded apart from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA and the Township of Boonton desires to execute a new five (5) year agreement for curbside collection and marketing of recyclable materials commencing on January 1, 2026 and ending on December 31, 2030, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority as follows:

- 1. The Executive Director of the MCMUA is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement entitled "Agreement to Provide for the Curbside Collection, Transporting, and Marketing of Recyclable Materials Between the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority and the Township of Boonton commencing on or about January 1, 2026."
- 2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2) of the Local Public Contracts Law.
- 3. The Authority's staff and consultants are hereby authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

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MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL

	UTILITIES AUTHORITY	
	By:	
	Christopher Dour, Chairman	
ATTEST:		
Larry Gindoff, Executive Director		

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-099

Resolution Authorizing The Execution Of An Agreement To Provide For Curbside Collection, Transporting, And Marketing Of Recyclable Materials Between The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority And The Borough of Chester Commencing On Or About January 1, 2026

WHEREAS, the provisions of the "New Jersey Statewide Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act," (N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.11 et al.) (the "Act"), require every municipality in this State to provide for the source separation and recycling of marketable materials generated from

residential premises within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Borough of Chester ("Municipality" or "Township") has adopted and enforces a mandatory source separation ordinance for Recyclable Materials; and

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") desires to assist municipalities in meeting their recycling goals pursuant to the Act by providing curbside pick-up and a convenient outlet for disposal of recyclables; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Municipal and County Utilities Authority Law N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq., the MCMUA may enter into contracts with municipalities for the provision of recycling services; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA is authorized as a local unit pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., to enter into a contract with any other local unit to provide or receive any service that each local unit participating in the Agreement for the provision of any service which that local unit is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, uniform shared services agreements may be awarded apart from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA and the Borough of Chester desires to execute a new five (5) year agreement for curbside collection and marketing of recyclable materials commencing on January 1, 2026 and ending on December 31, 2030, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority as follows:

- 1. The Executive Director of the MCMUA is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement entitled "Agreement to Provide for the Curbside Collection, Transporting, and Marketing of Recyclable Materials Between the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority and the Borough of Chester commencing on or about January 1, 2026."
- 2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2) of the Local Public Contracts Law.
- 3. The Authority's staff and consultants are hereby authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

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	MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
	By:
	Christopher Dour, Chairman
ATTEST:	
Larry Gindoff, Executive Director	

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-100

Resolution Authorizing The Execution Of An Agreement To Provide For Curbside Collection, Transporting, And Marketing Of Recyclable Materials Between The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority And The Collection at Morristown Condominium Association, Inc. Township of Morris, Commencing On Or About November 18, 2025

WHEREAS, the provisions of the "New Jersey Statewide Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act," (N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.11 et al.) (the "Act"), require every municipality in this State to provide for the source separation and recycling of marketable materials generated from residential premises within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Township of Morris ("Municipality" or "Township") has adopted and enforces a mandatory source separation ordinance for Recyclable Materials; and

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") desires to assist municipalities in meeting their recycling goals pursuant to the Act by providing curbside pick-up and a convenient outlet for disposal of recyclables; and

WHEREAS, the Collection at Morristown Condominium Association, Inc., located at 4 Gerhard Place, in the Township of Morris does not directly contract with Morris Township for the collection, transportation and marketing of recyclable materials and desires to contract directly with the MCMUA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Municipal and County Utilities Authority Law N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq., the MCMUA "may enter into any and all contracts, execute any and all instruments, and do and perform any and all acts or things necessary, convenient or desirable for the purposes of the municipal authority or to carry out any power expressly given in [N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq.] subject to the Local Public Contracts Law" which includes the provision; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA and the Collection at Morristown Condominium Association, Inc., desires to execute a five (5) year agreement for collection, transportation and marketing of recyclable materials commencing on November 18, 2025 and ending on November 17, 2029, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority as follows:

- 1. The Executive Director of the MCMUA is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement entitled "Agreement to Provide for the Collection, Transporting, and Marketing of Recyclable Materials Between the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority and the Collection at Morristown Condominium Association commencing on or about November 18, 2025."
- 2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2) of the Local Public Contracts Law.
- 3. The Authority's staff and consultants are hereby authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

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MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

	By:	
	Christopher Dour, Chairman	
ATTEST:		
Larry Gindoff, Executive Director		

Mr. Marrone reported on the following:

(1) The October 2025 rate for Single-Stream Recycling at Republic Services was finalized at a (Negative) -\$86.13/ton. This represents a \$ 2.63-per-ton increase in cost for the MCMUA and its customers from the September rate of -\$83.50 per ton.

- Recycling markets saw significant price fluctuations in October following a relatively stable September across all commodity categories.
- In early October, fiber markets saw a \$5 per ton decline for cardboard and paper, continuing a downward trend as the North American packaging industry is undergoing significant changes due to fluctuating demand and capacity adjustments.
- Domestic recycled plastics markets faced pressure in October from changing trade mandates, cheap Asian resin imports, and lower-cost domestic virgin materials.
- Tighter consumer spending led to significant price fluctuations in plastics #1 (PET), #2 (HDPE Natural and Colored), and #5 (Polypropylene), a trend that also continued into early November, with some pricing bouncing back up as of today.
- Looking at the domestic steel industry and metal prices, the shutdown has resulted in stalled federal projects and budget uncertainty.
- Market experts have adjusted their recovery timeline to late 2026, anticipating little positive impact from the holiday season.

(2) MCMUA Continued Efforts on This Year's Collection Service Agreements Renewals:

• In October and September, we continued focusing on renewing our shared service agreements that expire at the end of the year, as detailed in the board report.

Township of Roxbury Recycling Depot and Curbside Collection SSA Proposal:

- The Township has not yet made a formal decision on whether to rebid its curbside services or to continue with its current waste hauler for all services listed in its bid. However, it is still unlikely that they will approve the additional recycling costs proposed by the MCMUA.
- As for our proposal concerning a new recycling depot agreement, the Township informed the MCMUA that it plans to approve our SSA at its November 18 Council meeting, which will put its approval by the MCMUA on the agenda for its December meeting.

Borough of Mount Arlington Recycling Depot SSA Proposal:

- Due to expire at the end of 2025, the Borough's Recycling Depot collection contract is currently being drafted for a new 5-year term.
- A proposal is expected to be placed before the Borough for their consideration next week. Township of Harding Recycling Depot SSA Proposal:
 - After several discussions with the Township about recycling collection services at their municipal recycling center and the specifics they are looking for, a proposal for depot service was placed before the Township in Late October.
 - The Township is still considering these proposed services and is expected to come back to the MCMUA with a decision next week after internal discussions have concluded.

Borough of Mendham Curbside Recycling and Depot SSA Proposal:

- In mid-October, we were made aware by the Borough of Mendham through discussions that they had gone out to bid for solid waste and recycling services.
- After some discussions on what they were looking for and services we could provide, the MCMUA will be submitting a bid for recycling service only at the time of the bid opening set for December 19.

General Municipal Recycling Services New SSA Updates:

• Lastly, our submitted shared service agreement proposal for manpower and equipment with the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills is still stuck with the Township's finance department and governing body.

• The contract has expired as of November 1 and continues to be pursued for approval by the Township's MRC and DPW Director, along with the MCMUA.

(3) For Projects with the Solid Waste Planning Division,

MCMUA Announces Call for Submissions for its Municipal Recycling Enhancement Mini Grants:

- In October, the Division invited municipalities to apply for financial and in-kind support from the MCMUA for recycling education and outreach projects. The goal is to increase recycling rates, reduce municipal waste, and support communities with the greatest needs.
- Our coordinators consistently express that they would like to expand their initiatives but are limited by funding. So, to resolve that need, while continuing to provide hands-on support in the past, this year we have allocated mini-grants of up to \$3,000 for selected projects.
- The MCMUA received two applications for approval from the Townships of Long Hill and Roxbury.
- Both towns plan to utilize their municipal tonnage grant and departmental funding to cover the remaining costs, along with in-kind support.

(4) MCMUA Clean Communities Program Updates:

- In October, a new Morris County Clean Communities Coordinator Handbook was created for our coordinators, available through the new MCMUA Clean Communities website.
- Additionally, the Clean Communities program also published its artwork contest guidelines, which are expanded from the traditional poster design for middle school-aged students.

RECYCLING REPORT:

Recycling Tonnage and Value

October Recycling Markets and Operations Update:

In October, the preliminary single-stream recycling rate with Republic Services was calculated at -\$86.93 per ton, reflecting a \$3.43 increase from the previous month's finalized rate of -\$83.50.

Recycling markets saw significant price fluctuations in October following a relatively stable September across all commodity categories.

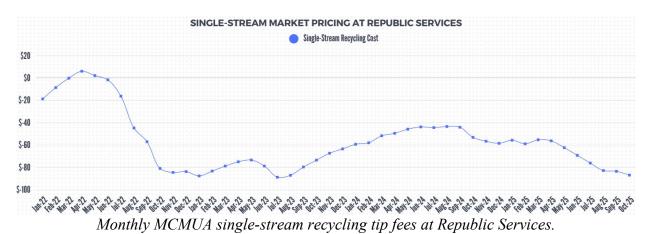
At the beginning of October, fiber markets declined by \$5 per ton for cardboard and paper, respectively, continuing their downward trend. North America's packaging industry is experiencing significant changes due to fluctuating demand and capacity adjustments. The containerboard market (used to make corrugated boxes for shipping) is tight following mill closures. In contrast, the boxboard sector (used for consumer product packaging such as cereal and cosmetic boxes) faces oversupply due to new capacity. Procurement professionals must navigate this complex environment with difficulty as tariffs and political decisions reshape costs for all players involved. As noted last month, capacity cuts are significantly impacting containerboard. In late 2025, mill closures, including 2.5 million tons from International Paper and Georgia-Pacific, are projected to account for the most substantial annual decline since the 2008-09 financial crisis, tightening market conditions and increasing paper prices. In contrast, the oversupply of the cardboard sector, particularly in coated and solid bleached grades, allows buyers to negotiate better terms while sellers are currently at a disadvantage. According to market projections, U.S. containerboard capacity is expected to drop by nearly 3 million tons by 2027, and prices are expected to rise. Box shipments are forecasted to hit their lowest level since 2015 in 2025, but a gradual recovery is now anticipated in late 2026 into 2027.

In October, the domestic recycled plastics market continued to face increasing pressure as the industry contended with rapidly shifting trade mandates, cheap resin imports from Asia undermining recycled-material pricing, and lower-cost domestic virgin materials. All of this, combined with tighter consumer spending, contributed to significant fluctuations up and down across the month for plastics #1 (PET), #2 (HDPE Natural and Colored), and #5

(Polypropylene). This trend continued into the beginning of November.

The ongoing government shutdown also continues to affect the domestic steel industry and metal prices. Stalled federal projects, delayed contracts, and budget uncertainty create challenges in domestic supply chains. With infrastructure spending on hold, producers face weaker demand and increased pressure across the broader manufacturing sector. Additionally, U.S. trade in metal scrap is becoming less attractive as contracts undergo significant adjustments. Mills and suppliers are renegotiating terms due to falling prices and shifting leverage, leading to oversupply and lower premiums. These changes are reshaping the structure of future scrap deals across North America, which includes our Northeastern pricing region, as current inventories are reported to be at average levels. Many sources indicate weak demand, and mills appear to be well-stocked with materials through the end of the year. Seasonal factors, such as winter weather and full mill order books, could significantly influence market conditions in December.

Experts have revised their production recovery timeline to late 2026, changing their earlier estimate of early 2026. However, they still see a silver lining: companies postponing significant investments this year might increase demand for recycled materials. However, this will occur much more slowly as the domestic economic outlook becomes increasingly concerning.



Resolution(s) for Board Consideration

In October, Marrone and Toomey finalized new shared services agreements for the public entities listed below, which will expire at the end of 2025.

Resolutions for (4) Recycling Shared Services Agreements:

Booton Township

The MCMUA Board will be asked to consider adopting a resolution authorizing executing a five-year shared services agreement between the MCMUA and the Township of Boonton to collect and market recyclable materials, beginning January 1, 2026. The annual price will be \$103,784.00 for the first year, with an increase of 2% each year.

Chester Borough

The MCMUA Board will be asked to consider adopting a resolution authorizing executing a five-year shared services agreement between the MCMUA and the Borough of Chester to collect and market recyclable materials, beginning January 1, 2026. The annual price will be \$57,964.00 for the first year, with an increase of 2% each year.

East Hanover

The MCMUA Board will be asked to consider adopting a resolution authorizing executing a five-year shared services agreement between the MCMUA and the Township of East Hanover to collect and market recyclable materials, beginning January 1, 2026. The annual price will be \$234,065.00 for the first year, with an increase of 2% each year.

The Collections at Morristown Condominium Association

Toomey received updated contract language from County Risk Management and Brad Carney to use in the agreement for The Collection at Morristown Condominium Association. They also determined the documentation that the Condo Association must provide. These were sent to the Condo Association for approval. Toomey received the completed documentation, which Carney confirmed as acceptable. This agreement is also now ready for Board approval. This protocol will be replicable for future contracts with private entities.

The MCMUA Board will be asked to consider adopting a resolution authorizing executing a five-year agreement between the MCMUA and the Collections at Morristown Condominium Association to collect and market recyclable materials, beginning on or about November 18, 2025. The annual price will be \$15,945.00 for the first year, with a 2% increase each year thereafter.

Toomey also worked with the Curbside Department to determine the equipment needs for the 2026 shared services agreements to begin the purchasing process.

Shared Service Agreements and Contract Activities in Progress

MCMUA Finalizes New Shared Service Agreements with Existing Partners and Brings on New Clients:

In September, Marrone and Toomey focused on finalizing the remaining shared service agreements set to expire at the end of 2025, as previously reported to the Board. Along with the resolutions that were considered for adoption above, the following additional work was accomplished this month:

Township of Roxbury Recycling Depot SSA Proposal:

In addition to our proposal for curbside recycling collection, which the Township has not yet decided on, the MCMUA has submitted another proposal regarding a new recycling depot agreement. This agreement is set to expire at the end of the year, and the finalized proposal agreement has been added to the agenda for the Township Council meeting on November 18 for approval. Next month's board report will include an update on their decision regarding this matter.

Borough of Mount Arlington Recycling Depot SSA Proposal:

Due to expire at the end of 2026, the Borough's Recycling Depot collection contract is currently being drafted for a new 5-year term. During October, Marrone and Toomey visited the Mount Arlington recycling depot. They spoke with their new Municipal Recycling Coordinator and DPW Personnel to discuss updates to the collection agreement to begin in January, including increased and modified service capabilities to streamline operations at the depot. The MCMUA is working on pricing and will provide a new draft of our shared services agreement for their consideration.

Township of Harding Recycling Depot SSA Proposal:

In September, the MCMUA was approached by Harding Township and its Department of Public Works (DPW) Superintendent regarding a proposal for recycling collection services at the Township's municipal recycling center. The Township currently relies on in-house staff and contracted vendors to transport materials from its depot to the market. They aim to consolidate these services under a single contract with the MCMUA to free up their Public Works staff. After several discussions, they have requested the following: a single-stream compactor, one open-top container for rigid plastics, one for scrap metal, and an additional container for overflow. These items would need to be purchased to service the site under a new contract, as no additional materials are in stock due to the recent increase in service requests. In late October, a finalized proposal was presented to the Township and sent to their administration for consideration and approval.

Borough of Mendham Curbside Recycling and Depot SSA Proposal:

In mid-October, representatives from the Borough of Mendham contacted Marrone for guidance on answering several questions related to their bid for recycling and bulk waste collection, which had been issued earlier that month. Marrone addressed their inquiries and identified mistakes in their bid that needed correction. At the same time, Marrone informed the Borough that the MCMUA, having realized they had issued the bid for these services earlier than expected, would submit a shared services proposal for their consideration regarding recycling services. Marrone also explained how our agreements operate and noted that we had previously collected recycling in the Borough in years past, also submitting a proposal five years ago, but were not awarded the contract.

The bid opening is scheduled for Friday, December 19, with services expected to begin on February 1, 2026. The MCMUA will propose a shared services agreement for bi-weekly single-stream recycling collection and an option for depot service. A draft agreement is currently being prepared.

General Municipal Recycling Services New SSA Updates:

In September, Marrone and Toomey followed up on their submitted shared service agreement proposals and continued discussions with the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills to finalize their draft agreement involving the shared staffing and equipment services. This agreement is still stuck with the Township's finance department, but is being pursued for approval by the Township's MRC and DPW Director.

Recycling/Clean Communities Education, Inspections, and Customer Service Support

Below are summaries of Recycling and Clean Communities' projects, public outreach, and education programs in October 2025. Details regarding these activities are provided in a supplemental report.

Recycling and Clean Communities Projects, Public Outreach, Education, and Inspections:

- MCMUA Attends the 20th Annual Clean Communities Expo & Awards Ceremony
- MCMUA Presents on Morris County's Clean Communities Activities to WRWAC
- MCMUA Attends the New Jersey Composting Council Organics Waste Management Summit
- MCMUA at the Roxbury Township Schools Green Fair
- MCMUA Attends and Presents at the 2025 Morris County Employee Health Fair
- MCMUA Attends and Presents at the Borough of Morris Plains Wellness Day
- MCMUA, New Jersey County Recycling Coordinator, and the New Jersey Association of New Jersey Recyclers (ANJR) Joint Efforts
- MCMUA Conducts Research on Food Waste and Strategically Plans Its Future Initiatives
- MCMUA Attends the Rutgers Certified Clean Communities Professionals Course
- MCMUA Recycling Public Outreach Educational Materials and Efforts
- MCMUA and MCOC Collaborations

Solid Waste Planning Activities and Special Projects

MCMUA Announces Call for Submissions for its Municipal Recycling Enhancement Mini Grants:

On October 2, the Solid Waste Planning Division announced a call for applications for new recycling education and outreach projects to increase the collection rates of recyclable materials and decrease the disposal rates of municipal solid waste. Funded through the MCMUA's own REA grant funds, the MCMUA is offering mini-grants of up to \$3,000 to three municipalities for recycling and waste prevention projects to support this initiative. This funding can cover either part of a project or the entire project. The Municipal Recycling Coordinators of each town will be responsible for developing project proposals, which must be approved by the

municipal business administrator or mayor before submission to the MCMUA for consideration. All projects must be completed within the 2025 calendar year, although extensions may be granted on a case-by-case basis. For this project, municipalities will initially cover project expenses and will later bill the MCMUA for reimbursement upon providing proof of payment.

Proposals for new recycling projects were due by October 31 to be eligible for a grant. Throughout October, several towns contacted the MCMUA regarding potential project ideas and funding suggestions. They also sought advice on how to move forward with these projects if funding were approved. Some towns mentioned that, since the grant period did not align with their budgeting timelines, they would apply earlier to secure the financing of other projects. By the grant deadline, the MCMUA received two applications for approval from the Townships of Long Hill and Roxbury. Long Hill's proposal seeks funding to expand the recycling center's footprint to accommodate additional recyclable materials in accordance with the MCMUA's new Shared Services Agreement. This expansion will include space for rigid plastics collection and an extra container for corrugated cardboard, which the MCMUA will add to its current collection services, as well as provision for new services from other vendors, such as cooking oil, motor oil, and batteries. Roxbury's proposal requests funding to help cover the cost of a digital sign for their recycling depot. The sign will display recycling tips, educational messages, and depot information that aligns with the MCMUA's communication strategy. Both towns plan to utilize their municipal tonnage grant and departmental funding to cover the remaining costs, along with in-kind support.

On Monday, November 10, both municipalities will be officially informed that each has been selected to receive \$3,000 upon completion of their projects, to be reimbursed by the MCMUA. Once completed, a press release will be written and distributed throughout the County.

MCMUA General MCMUA Website Revisions and Efforts to Improve its Recycling Subpages:

In October, Chavanne contacted each MRC for our 39 municipalities to update the MCMUA information on their curbside recycling and recycling depot for the upcoming year. Some of the information under review includes the materials they collect, their haulers and end markets for each, their curbside schedule, and their facility hours. So far, Chavanne has held phone conferences with over 10 municipalities and is setting up times to contact the rest in the first two weeks of November. Chavanne hopes to have contacted all MRCs by the end of November to begin reviewing the information on the MCMUA website. In the following steps, Chavanne will review the recycling department website and identify potential ways to restructure it to improve access for coordinators and residents. We aim to reduce confusion among residents about recycling operations and enhance transparency among coordinators about county-wide activities.

In addition, Marrone and Cumberton are reviewing each municipality's webpages for outdated information, suggestions for site improvements, and increases in the materials offered for recycling by residents.

MCMUA's Fourth and Final Municipal Recycling Coordinator Meeting of 2025:

In October, the Solid Waste Planning Division prepared for its final MRC meeting of 2025. Planning for this meeting began months in advance, and the Recycling Department initially arranged to charter a bus to GreenChip Recycling in Brooklyn. Unfortunately, in mid-October, GreenChip notified the MCMUA that they needed to cancel the tour due to an upcoming audit. Fortunately, Marrone found an alternative facility through his ANJR connections and arranged a tour of Circular Services in Brooklyn, formerly known as SIMS Recycling, which allowed the meeting to proceed. However, on the morning of the meeting, October 30, the bus broke down en route to pick up the participants due to mechanical issues, forcing the service to be canceled. Since the attendees had already gathered at the Florham Park DPW, the MCMUA held an abbreviated meeting to provide educational information, including a recycling trivia game that was prepared for the bus ride. The tours of GreenChip and Circular Services have already been rescheduled for 2026, and a different bus company will be contracted for transportation. The MCMUA extends its gratitude to the Borough of Florham Park for its hospitality, which helped make the meeting a success despite these unfortunate circumstances.

NJDEP 30-Day Audit for submitted 2023 Municipal Tonnage Grant Data:

In September, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) notified the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (MCMUA) that it had completed its review of the municipalities' data sets for the 2023 Municipal Tonnage Grant applications. This included disposal data from each of New Jersey's disposal facilities for that year. After the initial data entry was completed, our municipalities were given a 30-day review period to verify the compiled data for accuracy and submit any discrepancies, along with supporting documentation, to the NJDEP by October 23. During this period, the MCMUA assisted more than half of Morris County's municipalities by answering questions and clarifying information about their reviews. Additionally, Marrone conducted an audit of the disposal and recycling data for all municipalities to ensure accurate recycling rates, which will positively impact grant funding allocations in the coming year. Through this review, several discrepancies were identified and reported to the NJDEP for correction, which would have otherwise negatively affected our rates and grant payouts among municipalities next year.

Morris County Clean Communities Program

Morris County Roadway Cleanup(s) with MCMUA Contractor Adopt-A-Highway:

On October 20, Civitella and Chavanne organized a county road cleanup in collaboration with Adopt-A-Highway, MCMUA's cleanup contractor. The event took place on West Hanover Avenue, with four participants. Over a 2.5-mile stretch on both sides of the road, they collected 17 bags of litter, 5 bags of recyclable materials, 5 pounds of wood, and 5 pounds of scrap metal. The cleanup covered areas within Randolph Township, Parsippany-Troy Hills Township, the Town of Morristown, and Morris Township.

On October 27th, Civitella and Chavanne organized a county road cleanup in collaboration with Adopt-A-Highway, MCMUA's cleanup contractor. The event took place on the roads surrounding the Parsippany Transfer Station, primarily on New Road and Ridgedale Avenue in Parsippany-Troy Hills Township and East Hanover Township, respectively. Over a 2.5-mile stretch on both sides of the road, they collected 39 bags of litter, 13 bags of recyclable materials, 10 pounds of wood, and 10 pounds of scrap metal. The trash collected was delivered directly to the Parsippany Transfer Station by Civitella and Chavanne with the help of Parsippany Transfer Station Manager Brett Snyder.

2025 Morris County Clean Communities Poster Artwork Contest Winners:

In October, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (MCMUA) announced the winners of Morris County's Clean Communities Artwork Contest. Two of the four winners were from the same school. On October 24, Chavanne attended an afternoon assembly at All Saints Academy, where she presented awards to the two students and delivered a brief speech. The bins received positive feedback from both the students and teachers in attendance. Chavanne plans to distribute the remaining two bins and present the students' awards in the upcoming weeks. The other two contest winners were from Fusion Academy and Brooklawn Middle School in Parsippany.



MCMUA General Program Revisions and Efforts to Improve the Clean Communities Program:

Morris County Clean Communities Program Updates:

In October, Chavanne completed the Morris County Clean Communities Coordinator Handbook. This handbook is now available to the public and all coordinators through the new MCMUA Clean Communities website, where it can be found here: CCC-Handbook.pdf. The handbook includes information on the history of Clean Communities at both the state and county levels, county activities, the responsibilities of the Clean Communities Coordinator, the role of the Clean Communities Coordinator Alternate, funding opportunities, the statistical report, and more. Chavanne used this handbook as her final project for the Clean Communities certification. It will also be adopted at the state level through the NJCCC, allowing all statewide coordinators to utilize it for their own programs.

Morris County Clean Communities Program Clean Communities Art Contest:

Chavanne is creating the guidelines for the Morris County Art contest for the spring of 2026. Currently, the art categories are as follows:

- Multi-Media Art Design: intended for 3D and unique art forms (i.e., embroidery, sculptures, etc.).
- Recycled Art Design: intended for students to reuse common household recyclables in their artwork.
- Littered Art Design: intended for students to use commonly littered items in the artwork.
- 2D Art Design: intended for all drawing, painting, and charcoal submissions on a flat surface.
- Sticker Design Category: a category for students to design stickers that the MCMUA can use in the future and distribute to the public.
- Elementary Design: a participatory category for elementary-level students.

The art contest will have two in-person events:

- February 7 (2-4:30 pm): a workshop day for students to meet and work on their artwork together.
- May 14 (6:30 7:30 pm): a small awards ceremony.

Both will take place at the Morris County Library, where rooms have already been reserved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Gindoff mentioned that he prepared two resolutions for the two Open Space grant requests that the Board was previously briefed on and which were suitable for funding utilizing the MCMUA's portion of the MCMUA Open Space Trust Fund. Ms. Szwak made a motion to adopt these resolutions but requested that they include the MCMUA's deed restriction to protect these sites from active recreation uses. She stated these are two excellent Open Space projects and would just like to make sure the deed restriction is in place. The other Board members agreed and Mr. Gindoff stated he would amend the presented resolutions to include such deed restrictions.

Resolution No. 2025-101

Resolution Authorizing Participation In An Open Space Acquisition Project Township of Mendham – 3 Tingley Road

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") having been established by the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders (n/k/a the Board of County Commissioners, hereinafter "Commissioners") pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:14b-1 et. seq., is empowered to take such steps as it deems necessary and appropriate to protect and preserve the water resources of the County of Morris; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the implementation of such goals, the MCMUA seeks to participate with other public entities and non-profit organizations in order to acquire land for such conservation and preservation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA's appointed designee to the Morris County Open Space Trust Fund Committee (hereinafter "Committee") participated in the Committee's 2025 deliberations; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 deliberation included in-person and virtual presentations by the Township of Mendham regarding the requested 3 Tingley Road acquisition with the provision of additional information and answers to questions from the Committee as well as consideration of written and oral comments by the public; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recommended a \$214,000.00 total contribution from Morris County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund to the Commissioners for final approval; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA desires to participate in the acquisition of the 3 Tingley Road acquisition as part of the Commissioner's grant award to foster the conservation and preservation of water resources; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA desires to contribute \$214,000.00 of the proposed total \$214,000.00 contribution from the Morris County Open Space Preservation and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund toward the 3 Tingley Road open space acquisition, and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of the MCMUA has determined that there are sufficient funds available from the MCMUA's share of the Morris County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund in the amount of \$214,000.00 in line item # 13-290-56-580555-888, to participate in the acquisition of said lands

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the MCMUA on this 10th day of November 2025, as follows:

- 1. The use of the MCMUA's \$214,000.00 Morris County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund grant toward the Township of Mendham 3 Tingley Road, which includes 11.72 acres of Block 141, Lot 43, in the Township of Mendham, County of Morris, New Jersey is hereby authorized and approved.
- 2. This payment is funded through monies from the Morris County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust in the amount of \$214,000.00.
- 3. Subject to approval and execution of the Conservation Partnership Agreement that includes a provision in the Deed in the following form:

"The grantee further agrees that they will not accept a title to the protected property unless a provision is included in the deed in the following form:

The lands being conveyed herein are being acquired by grantee in part with funds from the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority share of the Morris County Open Space Trust Fund, and the title is subject to the following use restrictions:

The water quality, natural, scenic and open space character of the Protected Property will be retained in perpetuity and no use, activity, or development inconsistent with this restriction shall be permitted, with the exception of water infrastructure and non-commercial passive recreational activities such as unpaved hiking paths or trails, and in limited instances, unpaved biking, cross-country skiing trails and community gardening. Motorized vehicles shall not be permitted on the protected property, except for the use of motorized vehicles by an authorized governmental entity having jurisdiction, to provide police protection and emergency services on, in, and around the protected property; or for stewardship or management purposes as necessary or desired."

- 4. The Executive Director is authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Reorganization Meeting held on November 10, 2025.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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	Christopher Dour, MCMUA Board Member
ATTEST:	
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Larry Gindoff, MCMUA Executive Director	

<u>MOTION</u>: Ms. Szwak made a motion to approve the resolution, as amended with the deed restriction, approving funding the 3 Tingley Road project, Mr. Ragonese seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Resolution No. 2025-102

Resolution Authorizing Participation In An Open Space Acquisition Project with the Land Conservancy of New Jersey -

Township of Rockaway – Wildcat Ridge Preserve (859 Green Pond Road)

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") having been established by the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders (n/k/a the Board of County Commissioners, hereinafter "Commissioners") pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:14b-1 et. seq., is empowered to take such steps as it deems necessary and appropriate to protect and preserve the water resources of the County of Morris; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the implementation of such goals, the MCMUA seeks to participate with other public entities and non-profit organizations in order to acquire land for such conservation and preservation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA's appointed designee to the Morris County Open Space Trust Fund Committee (hereinafter "Committee") participated in the Committee's 2025 deliberations; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 deliberation included in-person presentations by the Land Conservancy of New Jersey regarding the requested Wildcat Ridge Preserve acquisition located in the Township of Rockaway at 859 Green Pond Road, with the provision of additional information and answers to questions from the Committee as well as consideration of written and oral comments by the public; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recommended a \$1,040,000.00 total contribution from Morris County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund to the Commissioners for final approval; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA desires to participate in the acquisition of the Wildcat Ridge Preserve acquisition as part of the Commissioner's grant award to foster the conservation and preservation of water resources; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA desires to contribute \$1,040,000.00 of the proposed total \$1,040,000.00 contribution from the Morris County Open Space Preservation and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund toward the Wildcat Ridge Preserve open space acquisition, and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of the MCMUA has determined that there are sufficient funds available from the MCMUA's share of the Morris County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund in the amount of \$1,040,000.00 in line item #13-290-56-580555-888, to participate in the acquisition of said lands

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the MCMUA on this 10th day of November 2025, as follows:

1. The use of the MCMUA's \$1,040,000.00 Morris County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund grant toward the Wildcat Ridge Preserve acquisition located in the Township of Rockaway at 859 Green Pond Road, which includes 123.3 acres of Block 40701, Lot 91, in the Township of Rockaway, County of Morris, New Jersey is hereby authorized and approved.

- 2. This payment is funded through monies from the Morris County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust in the amount of \$1,040,000.00.
- 3. Subject to approval and execution of the Conservation Partnership Agreement that includes a provision in the Deed in the following form:

"The grantee further agrees that they will not accept a title to the protected property unless a provision is included in the deed in the following form:

The lands being conveyed herein are being acquired by grantee in part with funds from the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority share of the Morris County Open Space Trust Fund, and the title is subject to the following use restrictions:

The water quality, natural, scenic and open space character of the Protected Property will be retained in perpetuity and no use, activity, or development inconsistent with this restriction shall be permitted, with the exception of water infrastructure and non-commercial passive recreational activities such as unpaved hiking paths or trails, and in limited instances, unpaved biking, cross-country skiing trails and community gardening. Motorized vehicles shall not be permitted on the protected property, except for the use of motorized vehicles by an authorized governmental entity having jurisdiction, to provide police protection and emergency services on, in, and around the protected property; or for stewardship or management purposes as necessary or desired."

- 4. The Executive Director is authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Reorganization Meeting held on November 10, 2025.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

	Christopher Dour, Chairman	
ATTEST:		
Larry Gindoff, MCMUA Ex	ecutive Director	

MOTION: Ms. Szwak made a motion to approve the resolution, as amended by including the MCMUA deed restriction, approving funding the Wildcat Ridge project, Mr.

Ragonese seconded the motion.

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There being no other Old Business, this portion of the meeting was closed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Gindoff informed the Board that there will be a holiday dinner following the conclusion of the December 9, 2025 Board meeting.

PUBLIC PORTION:

There being no comment from the Public, this portion of the meeting was closed.

CLOSED SESSION:

Chairman Dour mentioned we have matters to go over in a closed session. Mr. Gindoff stated the reason is attorney/client privilege information related to PFAS litigation and the AFFF MDL Settlement with 3M as well as the proposed JCO with NJDEP related to both 3M and Dupont.

MOTION: At 8:45 Mr. Druetzler made a motion to go into closed session to discuss these

matters and it was seconded by Mr. Ragonese and the Board went into closed

session at 8:45.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

MOTION: At 8:54 Mr. Ragonese made a motion to leave the closed session and go back into

open meeting and it was seconded by Ms. Szwak and the Board went back into open

session at 8:54.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

There being no further business, Chairman Dour asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

<u>MOTION</u>: Ms. Szwak made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m., seconded by Mr. Druetzler and carried unanimously.

Larry Gindoff
Executive Director

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