

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

July 14, 2026

The Regular Meeting of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority was held on July 14, 2026, 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.

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.

PRESENT: Mr. Christopher Dour, Mr. Frank Druetzler, Ms. Maria Farris, Dr. Dorothea Kominos, Dr. Arthur Nusbaum, and Mr. Ron Smith.

ABSENT: Mr. James Barry, Mr. Larry Ragonese and Ms. Laura Szwak.

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

Chairman Dour asked for the Board's approval of the June 9, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes and Closed Session Minutes.

MOTION: Mr. Smith made a Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes and Closed Session Minutes of June 9, 2026 and Mr. Druetzler seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: Dr. Nusbaum

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Kaletcher presented the Treasurer's Report for the Solid Waste Operating and Water Operating for the month of June 2026. Also included are the Comparative Balance Reports for both Solid Waste and Water year-to date through June, first half of the year, and the MCMUA Investment Report is showing a maturity of a Provident Bank CD on June 21, 2026. We renewed the CD for 9 months at a rate of four percent. Provident Bank is part of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act and is listed on the MCMUA's Cash Management Plan.

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 Dr. Kominos seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 6 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Mr. Kaletcher stated he has the Bill Resolution No. 2026-062 slated for approval after members review the schedule of warrants.

Mr. Druetzler asked Michael McAloon what is the assessment of water mains and Mr. McAloon replied that Randolph's water usage is substantial so we are putting together a leak detection memo highlighting some technologies that are out there and some recommendations regarding ways that we could reduce leak detection on the MUA mains. An effort to help out some of our neighboring systems and make sure that the unaccounted for water is not impacting our water mains. They are trying to work up a technology that will be deployed throughout the entire distribution system. What we want to do is as least labor-intensive as possible, so there are hydrant caps that have the pressure monitoring and acoustical monitoring as well. There is about 200 hydrants off of the MUA transmission mains and we are trying to figure out how do we slice the pie. Mr. Gindoff mentioned that we don't only have to buy the hardware, but we also have to buy the service to support them. You also have to figure out if you going to lease the equipment or buy it. Regardless what you do, you still have to pay a monthly to analyze that data.

Chairman Dour asked if the increase in Randolph's water, our water lines and Mr. McAloon replied, no. Mr. Milonas seems to think there is a leak under Shongum Lake. There is a section where the main goes under the lake. We have been in communication with Randolph multiple times this year. They thought they had it, February into March, when they fixed a few leaks, but the numbers keep drifting up. Our intent is to protect the MUA's mains. Chairman Dour asked if the line under Shongum Lake ours or Randolph's and Mr. McAloon replied Randolph's. Mr. Gindoff mentioned that we did budget for this work.

Chairman Dour asked for the Board's approval of the following Resolution:

Bill Resolution No. 2026-062

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. 2026-062 containing 3 pages for a total of **\$6,595,063.81** dated and made a part hereof by reference.

SUMMARY

CHECK NUMBERS

WATER OPERATING FUNDS	7342-7373	\$ 1,202,683.49
SOLID WASTE OPERATING	17182-17291	<u>\$ 5,392,380.32</u>
		\$ 6,595,063.81

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: July 14, 2026

BOARD CHAIRMAN APPROVAL

Christopher Dour, Chairman

SIGNED: _____
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

TREASURER'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that there are sufficient funds in the appropriations charged, or accounts listed to cover the expenditures included in the SCHEDULE OF WARRANTS dated: July 14, 2026.

DATE: July 14, 2026

Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer

MOTION: Dr. Kominos made a Motion that the vouchers be approved for payment and Ms. Farris seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 6 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Chairman Dour asked the Board if they want any Resolutions in the Consent Agenda be addressed separately. There were no resolutions addressed separately.

PURCHASING (Consent Agenda #2026-063 – #2026-066)

Chairman Dour asked for a Board Member to make a Motion to approve purchasing resolutions #2026-063 through #2026-066 as a consent agenda.

Resolution No. 2026-063
Resolution Authorizing Renewal Of Use Agreement
With Department Of Military And Veteran Affairs

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") entered into a Use Agreement with the Department of Military and Veteran Affairs ("Department") for the lease of the motor services building and parking area at the Dover Armory; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA desires to renew the Use Agreement for one year for a total annual cost of \$85,021.64; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA Treasurer has certified that funds are available in line item 01-3-600-626-612.

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

1. The Executive Director of the MCMUA is authorized and directed to renew the Use Agreement with the Department for the lease of the motor services building and parking area at the Dover Armory for an additional one year.
2. A copy of the Resolution shall be submitted to the MCMUA Treasurer.
3. 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 July 14, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chair

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

Resolution No. 2026-064
Resolution Rejecting Bids For Contract No. 2026-W02 For
“Utility Vault & SCADA Improvements”

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (the “Authority”) advertised for the receipt of public bids for Contract No. 2026-W02 “Utility Vault & SCADA Improvements” and received three (3) responses to the bid solicitation on July 2, 2026, from the bidders listed below at the total base bid price shown:

Sovereign Consulting, Inc. Robbinsville, New Jersey	\$210,000.00
Dulaine Contracting, Inc. Peapack Gladstone, New Jersey	\$289,498.00
Thomas Controls, Inc. East Brunswick, New Jersey	\$615,000.00

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

1. All bids are rejected pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-15(a) for substantially exceeding the Engineer’s pre-bid cost estimate for this project, indicating a substantial departure from the anticipated project costs for a project of this size and scope.
2. All bid security shall be returned within 10 days after the opening of the bids, Sundays and Holidays excepted, and the bids of such bidders shall be considered withdrawn.
3. 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 July 14, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chair

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

Resolution No. 2026-065
Resolution Awarding Contract No. 2026-W03 To Sovereign
Consulting, Inc. For “Mount Arlington Pump Replacement”

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (the “Authority”) advertised for the receipt of public bids for Contract No. 2026-W03 “Mount Arlington Pump Replacement” and received four (4) bids on July 02, 2026 from the companies listed below at the bid price shown:

	Base Bid
Sovereign Consulting, Inc. Robbinsville, New Jersey	\$282,000.00
AC Schultes, Inc. Woodbury Heights, New Jersey	\$366,000.00
VNL, Inc. Whitehouse Station, New Jersey	\$369,000.00
Coppola Services Ringwood, New Jersey	\$386,000.00

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

1. The Authority waives any immaterial defects of the bid from Sovereign Consulting, Inc. and awards Contract No. 2026-W03 “Mount Arlington Pump Replacement” to Sovereign Consulting Inc., having a business address of 111 North Gold Drive, Robbinsville, NJ 08691, as the lowest responsible bidder, in the base bid amount, not to exceed the bid price of \$282,000.00.
2. The Executive Director is authorized to execute Contract No. 2026-W03 “Mount Arlington Pump Replacement” to Sovereign Consulting Inc., having a business address of 111 North Gold Drive, Robbinsville, NJ 08691, as the lowest responsible bidder, in the base bid amount, not to exceed the bid price of \$282,000.00.
3. The Notice to Proceed with the contract awarded herein to Sovereign Consulting Inc., shall not be issued until after full execution of the Contract, approval by MCMUA of the Contractor’s performance bond, the submission of all required documents, including insurance certificates required by the Contract, said insurance shall be in a form acceptable to the Risk Manager of Morris County.
4. The Executive Director, staff and consultants are authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.

5. All bid security, except the security for the three apparent lowest bids, Sundays and holidays excepted, shall be returned and the bids of such bidders shall be considered withdrawn. After the award and full execution of the contract and the approval of the contractor's performance bond, the bid security of the remaining unsuccessful bidders shall be returned to them within three days thereafter, Sundays and holidays excepted.
6. The Treasurer certifies that Funds are available for this Contract from Budget Line Item 02-6-600-602-324 and a copy of this Resolution shall be submitted to the Authority's Treasurer and kept on file in the offices of the Authority.
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 Regular Meeting held on July 14, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chair

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

Resolution No. 2026-066
Resolution of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Approving a Vendor Service Contract on a 'Non-Fair and Open' Basis Pursuant to the 'Pay-to-Play' Law for Mount Olive Transfer Station Trench Drain Repairs
(Persistent Construction Company)

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") has a need to acquire a contractor to repair a portion of the broken trench drain at the MCMUA Mount Olive Transfer Station on a 'non-fair and open' contract pursuant to the provisions of the "New Jersey Local Unit Pay-To-Play" Law, P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, competitive quotations were solicited in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1; and

WHEREAS, in response to the solicitation of competitive quotations for the Mount Olive Transfer Station Trench Drain Repairs, Persistent Construction Company, having a business address of 58 Industrial Ave. Fairview, NJ 07022 submitted proposal in the amount of \$24,605.00 for the work to be performed; and

WHEREAS, Persistent Construction Company quote was most advantageous to the MCMUA needs, price and other factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the contract to be awarded includes a requirement that the work shall be completed within 120 days from the date of full execution of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the contract to be awarded is further subject to the following:

1. The known or estimated cost of the goods or service to be provided will exceed \$17,500.00;
2. The required Business Entity Disclosure Certification form has been submitted and will be placed on file.
3. The required Political Contribution Disclosure form has been submitted and will be placed on file.
4. The contract will prohibit the vendor from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.
5. In lieu of a separate certification of funds, the maximum dollar value of this contract is as set forth in this resolution per N.J.A.C 5:30-5.4 (a) 3.
6. The submission of the Public Works Registration Certificate to be placed on file.

WHEREAS, the MCMUA Treasurer certifies that sufficient funds are available from Budget account number 01-1-900-000-128 for the work to be performed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority does hereby award and authorizes the Executive Director to execute the contract for the work in the proposal from Persistent Construction Company, dated June 9, 2026 as most advantageous, price and other factors considered in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1 under a 'non-fair and open' basis:

Vendor Name:	Persistent Construction Company
Cost of Service:	\$24,605.00
Account Number:	01-1-900-000-128

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Executive Director is authorized and directed to execute a contract with Persistent Construction Company for the Mount Olive Transfer Station Trench Drain Repairs, based on the 2026 Proposal received by the Authority, available in the offices of the Authority, and incorporated by reference and made part hereof, for a term of one (1) year.

2. The Contract is awarded subject to the submission of all insurance certificates required by the Contract, in a form acceptable to the Risk Manager of Morris County, and all other documentation required by the Contract, and shall commence upon the execution of a written Contract by both parties.
3. The MCMUA's staff and consultants are hereby authorized and directed to take all other actions necessary or desirable to fully effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
4. 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 July 14, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chair

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Dr. Kominos made a Motion to approve purchasing resolutions #2026-063 through #2026-066 as a consent agenda and Mr. Druetzler seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 6 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Gindoff mentioned that the only Correspondence this month was the 2026 County Tip Fee Map prepared by Atlantic County Utilities Authority. He mentioned that Morris County is very much in line with other Counties.

There is no additional correspondence.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT:

SOLID WASTE

1. 2026 County Tip Fee Map prepared by Atlantic County Utilities Authority.

WATER ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mr. McAloon gave the following updates: (1) As indicated, water sales continue to remain strong above 2025 and 2024 accordingly.; (2) Good news on the update of the cleaning of the water storage tanks. Alpine has completed both Markewicz 1 and 2, and Dover Chester and they have mobilized over to Mt. Arlington today and should be backed up by Thursday, July 16. Good work is being performed by them.; (3) Regarding Flanders Valley 1 and 2 Generator Replacements, a soft starter that we had at Flanders Valley Well No. 2. failed and we tried to troubleshoot it and still had an issues. Good news is the VFD is on its way to the site and should be installed in the next couple days. Our recommendation is to put the new VFD in and eliminate chasing the repair of the soft starter. Once Flanders Valley Well No. 2 is in service, then we can do the final generator start-up at both those sites and have that ready to go.; (4) Good progress on Pleasant Hill – Phase II as well ahead of schedule. The Contractor has crossed through Park Avenue and all the services have been transferred and the water main is through Park Avenue and ready for the future Phase III. There was a substantial payment No. 1 that we recommended because they also did the milling and paving of Phase I portion. We are very pleased how that turned out. Once the water main is in, we will pressure test this last section and disinfect it and then Phase II paving will be the last part of that project. Mr. Gindoff added that Tony Milonas told him that another week or week and a half and the Contractor will be done and the detours will be buttoned up and we will pave later on. ; (5) Also good progress at Mt. Olive Transfer Station, that new equipment is in and working on the final punch list and close out for that project shooting for the August Board Meeting as well. There is also a pretty substantial payment application as well.; (6) Regarding Cracker Barrel, that is the strip of water main from the Stierli Court meter to Cracker Barrel, just waiting on final settlement period with the County and then we will do the pavement restoration in the coming weeks.

Mr. McAloon mentioned that MUA has received the final agreement regarding the establishment of an access agreement for the MUA and Roxbury Township to access the new meter chamber which is installed to provide public water to 100 Stierli Court facility since they had a failing well. This goes back several years and we finally got the Easement Agreement through legal review and we are prepared to present the following Resolution for the Board's approval:

Resolution No. 2026-067

Resolution Authorizing Execution Of Easement Agreement By And Between HJR Group, LLC; Roxbury Township And Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority And Authorizing Acceptance Of Bill Of Sale For Conveyance Of Water Meter Chamber

WHEREAS, HJR Group, LLC, a New Jersey limited liability company, having an office address of 100 Stierli Court, Mt. Arlington, New Jersey 07856 ("HJR Group") is the owner of real property, the boundaries of which extend into both the Township of Roxbury and the Borough of Mount Arlington and known as Lot 2, Block 12301, on the Tax Assessment Map of the Township of

Roxbury and Lot 1.01, Block 68 on the Tax Assessment Map of the Borough of Mount Arlington (collectively the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, HJR Group desired to have its Property connected to the water main owned and operated by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (“MCMUA”) located within Howard Bouelvard, Borough of Mount Arlington; and

WHEREAS, the original proposal was for a new water main to be installed on the Property situated in Roxbury Township and connected to a new water meter chamber that was to be constructed entirely within the right-of-way of the Borough of Mount Arlington, which would then connect to the water main located in Howard Bouelvard; and

WHEREAS, during the course of construction it became necessary to relocate the construction of the water meter chamber partially within the Property situated in the Borough of Mount Arlington owned by HJR Gorup; and

WHEREAS, HJR Group has completed the construction of the water meter chamber and the water main; and

WHEREAS, the water meter chamber has been inspected to the satisfaction of Suburban Consulting Engineers; and

WHEREAS, HJR Group desires to convey the fully constructed water meter chamber to the MCMUA and provide the MCMUA with a 1125 square foot easement on the portion of Property situated in the Borough of Mount Arlington for its operation, repair, and maintenance of the water meter chamber in the amount not to exceed \$1.00; and

WHEREAS, the easement agreement also provides the Township of Roxbury with a 630 square foot easement on the portion of Property situated in the Township of Roxbury for the Township of Roxbury to operate, repair and maintain the newly constructed water main; and

WHEREAS, a separate bill of sale has been prepared for conveyance of the water main situated on the Property within the Township of Roxbury to the Township of Roxbury; and

WHEREAS, the Local Lands and Buildings Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq., provides that the MCMUA may acquire an interest in real property, including an easement, and acquire capital improvements by way of resolution pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5.

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

1. The Executive Director is authorized to execute the easement agreement by and between HJR Group, the Township of Roxbury and the MCMUA in substantially the form attached hereto.
2. The Bill of Sale for the conveyance of the water meter chamber from HJR Group to the MCMUA is accepted.
3. The Executive Director, staff and consultants are 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 July 14, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chair

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Mr. Smith made a Motion to Authorize Execution
Of Easement Agreement By and Between HJR Group,
LLC; Roxbury Township and Morris County Municipal
Utilities Authority and Authorizing Acceptance Of Bill
Of Sale Of Conveyance Of Water Meter Chamber and
Mr. Druetzler seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 6 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

(8) Mr. McAloon mentioned that we went out to bid for the Utility Vault and SCADA Improvements. This project would bring electrical service to that underground vault and SCADA connection so we could communicate with that well through SCADA. Unfortunately, our Engineer's Estimate was too low. Our review of the bids indicates a need to reject all bids due to the submitted bids substantially above our estimate.; and (9) Good news, Payment from 3M for their third payment as part of the settlement should be in the books soon.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The MCMUA Water System continues to perform reliably with strong year-to-date sales through June 2026 of approximately 909.577 MG. Tank cleaning at the Markewicz #1 and #2 tanks is underway, with anticipated completion by July 17 (minor schedule adjustments may be needed due to the July 3 storm). The Flanders Valley #1 and #2 Generator Replacement project is nearing completion, with a recommendation to abandon the failed soft starter in favor of the new VFD at Well #2. Pleasant Hill Road 24-Inch PCCP Retirement – Phase II has advanced significantly, with watermain installation complete to Park Avenue and Phase I paving finalized. The Mount Olive Motor Control Center Improvement Project is in final punch-list stage with closeout targeted for the August Board meeting, while the Howard Blvd.

Watermain Extension is complete. Resolutions will be presented for Board consideration to finalize the access easement for the 100 Stierli Court water connection, reject all bids for the Utility Vault & SCADA Improvements project (due to bids substantially exceeding the engineer's estimate), and award the Mt. Arlington Pump Replacement contract to the low responsive bidder, Sovereign Consulting, Inc. The third payment from the 3M Aqueous Film Forming Foam settlement has been received and is ready for disbursement.

PROJECT STATUS

1. General System:

A. Through the month of June 2026, MCMUA sold approximately 909.577 MG. This amount is approximately 122.266 MG more than the amount sold in the same time period in 2025 and approximately 179.911 MG more than the amount sold in the same time period in 2024.

2. Cleaning of Four (4) Water Storage Tanks

Scaturro Brothers Inc. t/a Alpine Painting and Sandblasting Contractors has begun the cleaning of Markewicz #1 and #2 tanks. The plan is to then transition to Dover-Chester Tank, then Mt. Arlington Tank. Due to the impacts of the 7/3 storm, the schedule may be adjusted to accommodate site access impacts. The Contractor anticipates completion by Friday 7/17 of scope of work.

3. Flanders Valley #1 and #2 Generator Replacements

SCE received a call from Teddy Riethmeier from Turtle & Hughes. He stated that Rockwell is agreeing to a concession of cost for the repairs of the existing soft starter which has failed following extensive investigation and repairs made. However, at this time SCE does not recommend pursuing this option, since additional costs in the removal of the existing and re-installation of the repaired unit will be necessary. We have a VFD currently designed to be implemented at Well #2. The soft starter is not needed and would only serve as a bypass option in the future. To avoid any further costs, we have the option of abandoning the soft starter altogether, which is recommended.

Project Completion Summary Through July 14, 2026

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 July 14, 2026

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

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

Underground Utilities Corp. has completed the final milling, paving, and traffic striping of the Phase I project limits. Watermain installation was performed, beginning at the West-Morris Greenway and continuing to Park Avenue. The Contractor has completed the pressure testing & disinfection, and put this section of main in service and began the transfer of services. The next step of the project includes crossing of Park Avenue.

The Contractor has submitted payment application #1, in the amount of **\$877,705.24**. SCE has reviewed and finds this reflective of the work completed, and recommends processing if all necessary documents are submitted.

Project Completion Summary Through July 14, 2026

Contract Start Date	April 28, 2026
Original Contract Completion Time	120 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed:	77 64%
Days Remaining:	43 36%
Original Contract Completion Date	August 26, 2026

Project Financial Summary Through July 14, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$1,309,045.00
Total Value of Work Complete	\$895,617.59
Payment Application #1	\$877,705.24
Percent of Work Complete	68.1%
Total Retainage to Date	\$17,912.35

5. **Mt. Olive Transfer Station Motor Control Center Improvements**

The Contractor has completed the replacement of all damaged electrical equipment. The Contractor is working to finalize the completion of outstanding punch-list items during the

recent walkthrough. The goal is to complete the final closeout and release of retainage at the August Board meeting.

The Contractor has submitted payment application #5, in the amount of **\$55,525.82**. SCE has reviewed and finds this reflective of the work completed, and recommends processing if all necessary documents are submitted.

Project Completion Summary Through July 14, 2026

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 July 14, 2026

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
Payment Application #5	\$55,525.82
Total Value of Work Complete	\$139,552.00
Percent of Work Complete	53.6%
Total Retainage to Date	\$2,848.00

6. Howard Blvd. Watermain Extension (Cracker Barrel Connection)

We will be coordinating the necessary trench settlement period with the County and will coordinate the final site and paving restoration efforts in the coming weeks.

Project Completion Summary Through July 14, 2026

Contract Start Date	April 1, 2026
Original Contract Completion Time	100 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed:	100 100%
Days Remaining:	0 0%
Original Contract Completion Date	July 10, 2026

Project Financial Summary Through July 14, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$177,962.59
Payment Application #1	\$156,350.77
Total Value of Work Complete	\$159,541.60
Percent of Work Complete	89.6%
Total Retainage to Date	\$3,190.83

7. 100 Stierli Court Water Connection

MCMUA has received the final agreement regarding the establishment of an access easement for MCMUA and Roxbury Township to access the new meter chamber which was installed to provide public water supply to 100 Stierli Court since this facility had a failing well. This easement was reviewed by legal counsel, MCMUA, and SCE and we are prepared to present to the board a resolution to finalize this agreement.

8. Alamatong Well #4 and #5 Electrical Improvement Project

Sovereign Consulting, Inc., is prioritizing the installation of a new Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) which had a ship date of June 29th. They are currently working on securing the necessary equipment and materials to begin the work at the other well sites.

Project Completion Summary Through July 14, 2026

Contract Start Date	March 23, 2026
Original Contract Completion Time	365 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed:	113 31%
Days Remaining:	252 69%
Original Contract Completion Date	March 23, 2027

Project Financial Summary Through July 14, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$1,225,000.00
Payment Application #1	\$84,280.00
Total Value of Work Complete	\$86,000.00
Percent of Work Complete	7%
Total Retainage to Date	\$1,720.00

9. Utility Vault & SCADA Improvements

On Thursday July 2, at 2:00pm, the bids were received for the above referenced project and were opened. Three (3) bids were submitted with the total amounts from each bidder range from \$210,000.00 to \$615,000.00 as shown in the summary below. The Engineers Cost Estimate for the entire project is \$126,000.00. Our review of the bids indicates a need to reject all bids due to the submitted bids substantially exceeding the pre-bid cost estimates and the availability of funds. A resolution will be presented at the meeting for the rejection of all bids.

MCMUA will be reviewing the bid specifications and submittals and will delay the completion of this project in 2026 and look to adequately budget for this project for 2027.

BIDDER	TOTAL BID AMOUNT
Sovereign Consulting, Inc.	\$210,000.00
Dulaine Contracting, Inc.	\$289,498.00
Thomas Controls, Inc.	\$615,000.00

10. Mt. Arlington Pump Replacement

On Thursday July 2, at 2:30pm, the bids were received for the above referenced project and were opened. Four (4) bids were submitted with the total amounts from each bidder range from \$282,000.00 to \$386,000.00 as shown in the summary below. The Engineers Cost Estimate for the entire project is \$297,000.00. Our review of the four (4) bids indicates that Sovereign Consulting, Inc. (Robbinsville, New Jersey) is the apparent low responsive bidder at \$282,000.00. The Contractor provided the necessary qualifications and previous work experience. SCE has reviewed the references and recommends award of the contract to Sovereign Consulting, Inc. A resolution authorizing execution of the contract will be presented to the Board for its consideration.

BIDDER	TOTAL BID AMOUNT
Sovereign Consulting, Inc.	\$282,000.00
AC Schultes, Inc.	\$366,000.00
VNL, Inc.	\$369,000.00
Coppola Services	\$386,000.00

11. 3M Aqueous Film Forming Foam Settlement – Third Payment

The third payment from Defendant 3M has been processed and is ready for disbursement in the amount of \$118,702.27.

SOLID, HAZARDOUS AND VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:

Mr. Deacon mentioned that the following Resolution is for the remaining 75% payment that N.J. American should be paid in full for the extension on Gold Mine Road and asked for the Board's approval of the following Resolution:

Resolution 2026-068

Resolution Authorizing Remaining 75% Payment Related To New Jersey American Water Company, Inc. Extension Deposit Agreement Of The Initial Estimated Cost For Installation Of 800 Feet Of 8" Diameter Ductile Iron Concrete Lined Pipe Necessary For 2" Domestic Service / 6" Fire Service Adjacent To The Mount Olive Transfer Station

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") requires the extension of 800 feet of 8" diameter ductile iron concrete lined pipe necessary for 2" domestic service / 6" fire service along Gold Mine Road, in front of the Mount Olive Transfer Station so

that this extension, once completed by New Jersey American Water Company, Inc. (“NJAWC”) can be thereafter connected to the Mount Olive Transfer Station, after a separate public bid procured by MCMUA for said connection between Gold Mine Road and the Mount Olive Transfer Station, to provide water necessary for planned upgrades and replacement of the building’s sprinkler system and decommissioning the existing 55,000 gallon above-ground holding tank currently used for fire suppression, together with a planned installation of a full-site emergency generator sized to power a new fire pump; and

WHEREAS, on October 22, 2025 NJAWC petitioned the Board of Public Utilities (“BPU”) to expand its franchise territory to provide water service and fire protection service necessary for the installation of 800 feet of 8” diameter ductile iron concrete lined pipe necessary for 2” domestic service / 6” fire service along Gold Mine Road, in front of the Mount Olive Transfer Station; and

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2026, BPU approved this expansion of NJAWC’s service territory as set forth in the petition for a period of fifty (50) years; and

WHEREAS, NJAWC has estimated the cost for the aforementioned 800-foot extension within its expanded franchise territory to be \$366,791.79 (the “Initial Total Estimated Cost”); and

WHEREAS, following MCMUA adoption of authorizing Resolution 2026-060 on June 9, 2026, NJAWC and MCMUA executed an Extension Deposit Agreement dated June 11, 2026 and the MCMUA completed the requisite forms and provided NJAWC a 25% deposit amount of \$91,697.95 representing 25% of the Initial Total Estimated Cost.

WHEREAS the 75% Remaining Deposit in the amount of \$275,093.84 for estimated cost is to be paid by MCMUA to NJAWC prior to award of the construction agreement by NJAWC.

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

1. The Executive Director is authorized to provide NJAWC with the 75% Remaining Deposit of \$275,093.84.
2. Upon notification of NJAWC of the actual construction proposal amounts, NJAWC will provide MCMUA with a Revised Total Estimated Cost.
3. Payment of the Revised Total Estimated Cost to NJAWC less the 25% Initial Deposit authorized by Resolution 2026-060 and less the 75% Remaining Deposit authorized by this Resolution, shall require separate authorization.
4. The Executive Director, staff and consultants are authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
5. The Treasurer certifies that Funds are available for this Contract from Budget Line Item 02-6-300-800-015 and a copy of this Resolution shall be submitted to the Authority’s Treasurer and kept on file in the offices of the Authority.
6. 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 July 14, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chair

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Mr. Druetzler made a Motion to Authorize Remaining 75% Payment Related to New Jersey American Water Company, Inc. Extension Deposit Agreement of the Initial Estimated Cost For Installation of 800 Feet of 8" Diameter Ductile Iron Concrete Lined Pipe Necessary For 2" Domestic Service / 6" Fire Service Adjacent To The Mount Olive Transfer Station and Dr. Kominos seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 6 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Mr. Deacon mentioned that in the Report is the progress that Alaimo made with New Jersey American and gotten paid for. Chairman Dour thanked him for that summary.

Mr. Deacon reported on the following: (1) The North Tipping Floor Project is progressing very nicely. The trench drains have been set. The piping for the Storage Tank and Sewerage Treatment Plant are now installed. The attenuators are poured and the actual replacement of the floor should be happening soon. Persistent is ahead of schedule and have done a great job with this project.; (2) Thanked Mike, Joe and Suburban for staying on top at the end at the Mt. Olive Transfer Station for the Motor Control Center Project. We are hopefully closing out this project at the August Board Meeting.; (3) HHW at Chatham High School – The total was 515 participants.; (6) Regarding Vegetative Waste, the Report details the July 3 storm we had in Morris County. A heavy amount of wood chips and brush continue to come into our Parsippany facility. Towns include Morris Township, Morris Plains, Hanover Township and a small amount from Morristown. We had extended hours for the towns last week to work with their DPW's.

Mr. Deacon mentioned that the MUA has a contract with Vollers for the marketing of vegetative waste. They provide payment of \$7.00/cubic yard for compost and \$11.00/cubic yard that they market. Due to the glut of wood chips and wood mulch and it is not moving, coupled with the amount of material we are getting from the municipalities due to the storm, we are working with

Vollers to do a Change Order to that Contract bringing mulch marketing from \$11.00 per cubic yard to \$1.00 per cubic yard so we can get the sites cleared and get the mulch moved a little faster to avoid stockpiling at the sites. Mr. Gindoff added that this is a great opportunity for us, as material was not moving. Chairman Dour asked if this is for the remaining term of the contract and Mr. Gindoff replied, yes.

Mr. Deacon asked for the Board's approval of the following Resolution:

Resolution No. 2026-069
Resolution Authorizing Execution Of Change Order No. 1
To The Contract For The Marketing Of Vegetative Waste Recyclable Materials
With Vollers Excavating & Construction, Inc.

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA" or "Authority") operates a vegetative waste recycling program at its facilities in Parsippany-Troy Hills and Mount Olive Townships, producing compost, wood mulch, and wood chips for recycling; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(s), the marketing of recyclable materials recovered through a recycling program may be negotiated and awarded by the MCMUA without public advertising for bids, and the MCMUA is authorized to procure such services pursuant to a Request for Proposals (RFP); and

WHEREAS, by Resolution #2025-053, adopted June 10, 2025, the MCMUA awarded a contract to Vollers Excavating & Construction, Inc. ("Contractor") for the Marketing of Vegetative Waste Recyclable Materials (RFP #2025-VW01), with said contract commencing July 1, 2025 and terminating June 30, 2026, subject to up to two (2) one-year extensions at the sole discretion of the MCMUA; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution #2026-060, adopted June 9, 2026, the MCMUA exercised its first one-year optional extension of said contract commencing July 1, 2026 and terminating June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, Article 4.2 of the Contract establishes fixed per-cubic-yard prices for products marketed by the Contractor, including Wood Mulch at \$11.00 per cubic yard; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has negotiated Change Order No. 1, dated July 9, 2026, which amends Article 4.2 to revise the price for Wood Mulch from \$11.00 per cubic yard to \$1.00 per cubic yard, with all other product prices and contract terms remaining unchanged; and

WHEREAS, this price adjustment for Wood Mulch is in the best interest of the MCMUA, as it will enhance marketability of vegetative waste recycling products, promote greater diversion from disposal, and support the Authority's mission of sustainable solid waste management; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 10.10 of the Contract, all changes to the Contract are subject to MCMUA Board approval; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director recommends that the MCMUA Board authorize execution of Change Order No. 1;

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

1. Change Order No. 1 to the Contract for the Marketing of Vegetative Waste Recyclable Materials (RFP #2025-VW01) with Vollers Excavating & Construction, Inc., which amends the price for Wood Mulch in Article 4.2 from \$11.00 per cubic yard to \$1.00 per cubic yard for the duration of the Contract term (including any extensions), is hereby approved and authorized.
2. The Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute Change Order No. 1 on behalf of the MCMUA, and to take all such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to implement the terms of this Resolution.
3. All other terms, conditions, and provisions of the original Contract dated July 1, 2025 shall remain in full force and effect, except as expressly modified by Change Order No. 1.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on July 14, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chair

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Ms. Farris made a Motion to Authorize Execution of Change Order No. 1 To The Contract For The Marketing Of Vegetative Waste Recyclable Materials With Vollers Excavating & Construction, Inc. and Mr. Smith seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 6 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Regarding Blue Diamond Recycling, Mr. Druetzler asked if we would be able to bring our recycling to their yard and Mr. Deacon replied no. It is just for their material. They will bring their recycling back to their yard and transload it into similar trailers that we use to bring it to Atlantic Coast Fibers, which is owned by Blue Diamond's parent, Waste Connections. Mr. Gindoff added that Waste Connections also bought a Recycling Facility, Atlantic Coast Fibers, in Clifton and they want to use their facility in Mt. Arlington to drop off material so they could move it in bulk to their facility in Clifton. We need an application from them to see the specifics.

SOLID, HAZARDOUS AND VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

For June 2026, the MCMUA transfer stations accepted 44,862 tons of solid waste, a 3.15% increase over June 2025. Year-to-date projections indicate the facilities will accept approximately 481,750 tons for calendar year 2026, representing a modest 1.04% increase over 2025 volumes. Capital project work continues at both transfer stations. The Parsippany North Tipping Floor rehabilitation is progressing well, while the Mount Olive Motor Control Center Improvement Project is in final punch-list stage with closeout targeted for the August Board meeting. The Board will be asked to consider Resolution #2026-068, authorizing the remaining 75% payment of \$275,093.84 to New Jersey American Water for the Mount Olive Transfer Station Public Water Service Project, and Resolution #2026-069, approving Change Order No. 1 to the vegetative waste marketing contract with Vollers Excavating & Construction, Inc. In Solid Waste Management Plan activity, the MCMUA received a Notice of Completeness from NJDEP for the Dan Como & Sons amendment, and staff conducted a site tour of the proposed Blue Diamond Disposal recycling center in Mount Arlington under the County's Blanket Inclusion Policy. Household Hazardous Waste collections remained strong, with 294 appointments served in June and a successful one-day event at Chatham High School that processed 515 vehicles. Vegetative Waste staff extended operating hours following the July 3 storm to accommodate increased volumes of storm-related debris and recommending the Vollers change order to help move excessive amounts of mulch stockpiled.

TRANSFER STATIONS

Tonnage Summary- The 44,862 tons accepted at the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations in June 2026 was 3.15% greater than the 43,491 tons accepted a year ago in June 2025. The tonnage from the second quarter of 2026 was 0.31% less than the same second quarter of 2025. Following the first six (6) months of actual tonnage in 2026, it is projected that for all of 2026 the transfer stations will accept 481,750 tons, which would be 1.04% greater than the 477,215 tons accepted for all of 2025. Please refer to the attached Transfer Station Disposal Report by Month and the comparison statistics provided below for additional details.

June Monthly Transfer Station Comparison Statistics (2025 to 2026):

Mount Olive Transfer Station:

Inbound Tonnage- About 17,310 - 823 more tons than 2025

Total Customers- 4,899- 720 more than 2025

Self-Generated/ Residential Customers- 1,285- 341 more than 2025

At the six (6) month/mid-year mark of 2026, Mount Olive's inbound tonnage is 89,159 tons, which is 1,972 tons more than the 87,187 tons processed after six (6) months in 2025. 2026 had 23,866 total customers, which is 1,320 more than 2025 at 22,546. Self-generated/homeowners total 5,758, which is 747 more than 2025 with 5,011 after six (6) months.

Parsippany-Troy Hills Transfer Station:

Inbound Tonnage- About 27,554- 551 more tons than 2025

Total Customers- 6,580- 372 more than 2025

Self-Generated/ Residential Customers- 571- 41 more than 2025

At the six (6) month/mid-year mark of 2026, Parsippany's inbound tonnage is 143,525 tons, which is 2,629 less tons than the 146,155 tons processed after six (6) months in 2025. 2026 had 34,024 total customers, which is 432 more than 2025 at 33,592. Self-generated/homeowners total 3,003, which is 302 more than 2025 with 2,701 after six (6) months.

Solid Waste Professional Engineering Services- MCMUA 2025-2026 planned projects and improvements involving the Alaimo Group (Alaimo), Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE), and H2M at the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations. Updates will be provided to the Board at the July 14 meeting:

Parsippany-Troy Hills Transfer Station

- The North Tipping Floor/Small Floor project at the Parsippany-Troy Hills transfer station involves the replacement of the top section of the deteriorated floor using Euclid Chemical's EucoFloor 404 system. The scope of work also includes enhancements to, and replacement of the existing trench drain system, which currently utilizes the same plasma-cut steel grate system installed at the Mount Olive facility. Additional work includes replacement of the emergency valves that control the underground holding tank, as well as installation of new safety bollards and concrete attenuators to help mitigate future damage to the building. The update on the North tipping floor indicates that Persistent Construction is progressing well with the project. The existing floor drain has been removed, along with the apron at the entrance of the North tipping floor. A new precast drainage system has been installed, and a new concrete apron has been laid. Additionally, the two (2) floor wash down hydrants have been replaced with new units, including the necessary curb valve assemblies. The removal and preparation of the bollards on the North floor have been completed. The excavation for the new valves and piping leading to the emergency holding tank has been carried out, and new pipes and valves have been installed, along with the required concrete valve pad. The schedule for the week of July 6 includes pouring concrete around the precast drainage system, the bollard tubes, and paving the area at the valve/tank location.
- Stormwater Program- Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE) has been retained to assist with and oversee compliance activities associated with the NJDEP New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) Permit (Permit No. NJ0117533; Program Interest No. 91795) for the Parsippany-Troy Hills Transfer Station. On Thursday, June 11, MCMUA staff hosted an onsite meeting and facility walkthrough with SCE to review the station's compliance program and discuss key permit requirements. Topics included annual certifications, required inspections and staff training, permit renewal requirements, the current stormwater sampling and analytical results, annual updates to the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SPPP), preparation of the annual report for NJDEP, and recommendations for operational and compliance improvements at the facility.

Mount Olive Transfer Station

- The Motor Control Center (MCC) Improvement Project with DEE-EN Electrical Contracting, Inc. (DEE-EN) is approaching final closeout. All damaged Schneider Electric (Square D) equipment has now been replaced. Only a few punch-list items

identified by Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE) during their June 17 walkthrough remain outstanding. SCE remains in regular communication with DEE-EN to ensure timely completion of the remaining work, with the goal of presenting the project for final closeout and payment approval at the August 11 Board meeting.

- **Mount Olive Transfer Station Public Water Service Project-** This project involves the installation of approximately 800 feet of 8-inch ductile iron concrete lined (DICL) pipe along Gold Mine Road to provide domestic water service and fire protection to the Mount Olive Transfer Station. The Alaimo Group and the MCMUA have been completing the required applications and documentation for New Jersey American Water (NJAW) to facilitate construction of the water main extension (*See Step #12 Below*). NJAW has selected a contractor and, upon receipt of payment for the construction costs, will schedule the installation of the water main. In the meantime, Alaimo Group is finalizing the design of the fire pump and completing the plans and specifications for the service connection phase of the project. Once the water main extension is completed and placed into service, the MCMUA plans to: Install a new full-site emergency generator, sized to power a new fire pump. Upgrade or replace the building's sprinkler system and decommission the existing on-site well and remove the 55,000-gallon above-ground holding tank currently used for fire suppression. Upon completion, this project will provide a reliable public water supply, significantly enhance fire protection capabilities, and eliminate the need for the aging on-site well and fire suppression storage tank system.

As a reminder to the Board, the total estimated construction cost provided by NJAW for the water main extension on Gold Mine Road is \$366,791.79. At the June 9 meeting, the Board approved Resolution #2026-060, authorizing the execution of the Extension Deposit Agreement with NJAW and the payment of the initial 25% deposit in the amount of \$91,697.95. NJAW has since advised that full payment is required before construction can be scheduled. Accordingly, a similar resolution will be presented to the Board at the July 14 meeting, authorizing the MCMUA to remit the remaining 75% balance of \$275,093.84.

Time Frame from NJAW on the Main Extension process: (Now at Step #15.)

1. *Contact NJAW Project Manager with concept plans*
 2. *NJAW Project Manager will guide Alaimo/MCMUA through design choices and application process.*
 3. *Submit main extension application via online portal including all attachments. (Utility site plans, demand and fire flow spreadsheets)*
 4. *Submit application fee and W-9 to NJAW project manager.*
- Steps 1-4 Developer driven.*
5. *NJAW Project manager will provide preliminary comments with respect to design.*
 6. *NJAW will perform hydraulic review and design main layout review.*
 7. *NJAW will perform construction review and cost estimate.*
 8. *NJAW Project manager will provide comments with respect to design.*
 9. *Alaimo/MCMUA to revise plans as needed.*
 10. *NJAW Project Manager will prepare letter to serve and agreement.*
- For steps 5-10 Please allow 8 weeks. If Alaimo/MCMUA needs to make changes to*

the plans these steps might take longer.

11. Alaimo/MCMUA to execute agreement and provide upfront partial deposit.

12. Alaimo/MCMUA will submit all items as called out in letter to serve (service applications and addresses, /hydrants/all required permits/easements, etc.)

Steps 11-12 Alaimo/MCMUA driven.

13. NJAW will bid the project.

14. NJAW will inform the Alaimo/MCMUA of the remaining deposit required based on bids and reminder of items still pending. (Presented to MCMUA Board at the July 14 Meeting)

For steps 13-14 Please allow 8 weeks for a typical project.

15. Developer to submit final deposit and remaining items

Step 15 Alaimo/MCMUA driven.

16. NJAW Project manager to prepare construction agreement with contractor and award project.

17. Contractor to execute construction agreement.

18. NJAW to create PO.

19. NJAW Project manager releases the project to the construction group to order material, schedule delivery, and schedule installation of project.

20. Local Road opening permits applied for if required.

For steps 16-20 Please allow 8 weeks for a typical project.

21. NJAW contractor to install mains.

22. NJAW will test and place in service.

For steps 21-22 Depends on scope of the project.

23. Developer to contact customer service to install meter.

During the Purchasing Consent Agenda, the Board will be asked to consider Resolution #2026-066, authorizing the MCMUA to award a contract to Persistent Construction Company for trench drain repairs at the Mount Olive Transfer Station. The MCMUA staff had solicited quotes to repair deteriorated concrete surrounding the trench drain system at Tipping Floor Bay Door #1. Due to constant heavy equipment and truck traffic, the damaged section continues to shift and expand toward Bay Door #2. Resolution #2026-066, in the amount of \$24,605.00, authorizes Persistent to remove the failed concrete sections surrounding the trench drain and replace them with high-strength concrete. Completing these repairs now will prevent further deterioration, help maintain safe operating conditions, and avoid more extensive and costly repairs in the future.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Dan Como & Sons, Inc. (Como)- In Fall 2022, Dan Como & Sons, Inc., also known as “The Mulch Depot”, located at 3 Como Court (Block 41, Lot 1) in Towaco, Montville formally requested inclusion in the Morris County Solid Waste Management Plan to allow the facility to transition from an exempt leaf-transfer operation to a NJDEP approved Multi-Class B/C Recycling Facility. The Morris County Board of County Commissioners conducted a second public hearing on May 27 and unanimously approved the proposed amendment. The application materials, hearing records, and the transcript were then forwarded to the NJDEP for review and

final determination. On July 6 the MCMUA received the NJDEP's Notice of Completeness for the Como Amendment.

Blue Diamond Disposal, Inc./Waste Connections- Blue Diamond Disposal, Inc., a Waste Connections subsidiary operating from its long-standing facility at 5 Howard Boulevard in Mount Arlington, is expected to request inclusion of a recycling center in the Morris County Solid Waste Management Plan (Plan). The proposed facility would consolidate and transfer source-separated Class A recyclable materials, primarily paper, cardboard, plastics, metals, and glass, collected from municipal and commercial routes throughout Morris County for transport to the affiliated Atlantic Coast Recycling Material Recovery Facility (MRF) in Passaic, New Jersey. The request is anticipated to proceed under the County's established Blanket Inclusion Policy for Recycling Centers, a streamlined process adopted through the February 1993 Plan Amendment and certified by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) on August 25, 1993. The policy facilitates the development of qualifying recycling infrastructure without requiring a formal Plan amendment in every instance, provided no substantive objections are received following the required public notice and comment period. On July 2, MCMUA staff participated in a site tour of the Howard Boulevard facility. The tour provided Blue Diamond Disposal/Waste Connections with an opportunity to present its current operations and the proposed recycling center concept, while allowing MCMUA staff to evaluate the proposed operation, assess potential impacts, determine its consistency with the goals of the Plan, and discuss the anticipated review process and next steps.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) MANAGEMENT

Program Participation- During June 2026, the permanent HHWF serviced a total of 294 appointments, including 273 Morris County residents, 1 VSQG (Very Small Quantity Generator/small businesses), and 20 out-of-county residents. For comparison, in June 2025, the HHWF serviced 220 total appointments, including 204 Morris County residents, 14 out-of-county residents, and 2 VSQG/small businesses. Year-to-date, the HHW facility has serviced 1,505 appointments through the first six (6) months of 2026, 1,392 of those were in-County residents.

The second 2026 MCMUA Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) One-Day Drop-Off Event was held on Saturday, June 20, 2026, at Chatham High School in Chatham Township, New Jersey. The event was met with beautiful weather and experienced a busy rush during the morning hours before slowing down later in the afternoon, allowing the contractor, MXI, to complete packing and cleanup ahead of schedule. A total of 515 vehicles participated in the event, making it another successful collection day and providing a convenient disposal opportunity for residents in the southeastern portion of Morris County. The remaining two (2) 2026 events will take place in the Fall.

Related Training Events- Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program Manager Stephen Adams attended the "Lithium-Ion Battery Response Considerations" training hosted by the U.S. EPA on June 16 at the agency's Region 2 office in Edison, New Jersey. The training was led by two (2) EPA instructors who had served on response teams deployed to Hawaii and Southern California following recent wildfires. They shared firsthand experiences from their work going

door-to-door to identify and remove HHW left behind in fire-damaged communities. The instructors also discussed the challenges of managing electric vehicles that had been destroyed or partially damaged by the fires, including the safe recovery and handling of lithium-ion batteries. Many of these batteries had been exposed to extreme heat and, while they had not yet entered thermal runaway or caught fire, still posed significant safety risks. The instructors provided valuable technical information and practical lessons learned from these large-scale response efforts, making the training both informative and worthwhile.

VEGETATIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

MCMUA has identified a number of operational improvements for both vegetative waste facilities that are targeted for completion in 2026. Staff continue to work with Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE) on the development of stormwater management plans, as well as the design of the proposed bin-block and loading ramp projects. The 2026 annual compost sampling was completed at both facilities in late June. Residential mulch deliveries have continued but have slowed significantly with the onset of the summer season. Both new Heavy Equipment Operators have been signed up for the Rutgers-New Jersey Compost Operator Certification Course that will take place in September.

Following the July 3 storm, which impacted portions of Morris County, staff arranged to extend operating hours during the week to accommodate the anticipated increase in vegetative waste, including tree limbs and other storm-related wood debris. As a result of the significantly higher volumes of material being processed, the Board will be asked to consider **Resolution #2026-069**, approving Change Order No. 1 to the vegetative waste marketing contract with Vollers Excavating & Construction, Inc. to lower the price of marketing wood mulch from \$11/CY to \$1/CY in an effort to move excessive material offsite and be prepared to handle storm debris. The existing price was way too high to successfully market mulch. Site Supervisors have coordinated operations in preparation for the expected increase in incoming materials resulting from the storm.

RECYCLING REPORT:

Mr. Marrone reported on the following:

Before discussing our monthly recycling rate and markets, I have one resolution for the Board's approval tonight.

Resolution No. 2026-070, Authorizing Execution of the First Amendment to the Agreement Providing for Curbside Collection, Transporting and Marketing of Recyclable Materials Between the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority and the Township of Chatham to Include Vegetative Waste Transportation Services.

- This resolution authorizes an amendment to the current curbside recycling shared services agreement between the MCMUA and the Township of Chatham. This amendment adds transportation of vegetative waste collected at the Township's former compost site for recycling at the MCMUA's two composting facilities.

- The Township is expected to adopt a similar resolution amending our current contract at tonight's council meeting.

Mr. Marrone asked for the Board's approval of the following Resolution:

Resolution No. 2026-070

Resolution Authorizing Execution of the First Amendment to the Agreement Providing for Curbside Collection, Transporting and Marketing of Recyclable Materials Between the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority and the Township of Chatham to Include Vegetative Waste Transportation Services

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") and the Township of Chatham previously entered into an Agreement to Provide for Curbside Collection, Transporting and Marketing of Recyclable Materials commencing on or about January 1, 2026 (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to amend the Agreement to also include the transportation and recycling of vegetative materials from the Township's compost facility to the MCMUA's vegetative recycling facilities; and

WHEREAS, such amendment is authorized pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.; and

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

1. The Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute the First Amendment to the Agreement Providing for Curbside Collection, Transporting and Marketing of Recyclable Materials with the Township of Chatham, in substantially the form attached hereto.
2. The Executive Director, staff, and consultants are authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution and the First Amendment.
3. 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 July 14, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chair

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Mr. Smith made a Motion to Authorize Execution of
The First Amendment to the Agreement Providing for
Curbside Collection, Transporting and Marketing of
Recyclable Materials Between the Morris County Municipal
Utilities Authority and the Township of Chatham to Include
Vegetative Waste Transportation Services and Ms. Farris
seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 6 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Recycling Market and Operations Report Update

In June, the rate for Single-Stream Recycling at Republic Services was finalized at a **(Negative)** \$80.10/ton, representing a \$ 1.23/ton decrease from the May rate.

- In June, the market for recycled polymers began to plateau in plastic gains, coinciding with a slight easing in virgin pricing due to ongoing peace talks in the Middle East.
- In July, those prices remained unmoved apart from #1 plastics (PET), which began to creep back up in pricing from its historic lows seen in the second quarter.
- As for all other commodity types, metals, paper, cardboard, and glass remain unmoved at the close of June and into early July.
- Overall, post-consumer commodities are expected to see little to no growth moving into the summer, given the current geopolitical matters.

Solid Waste Planning Division Updates:

Personnel Updates:

In June, the Solid Waste Planning Division held interviews and finalized the hiring of two new team members:

- Ms. Lena Ouellette as our new full-time Recycling Special Projects Coordinator, filling the vacancy of Maura Toomey.
- Mrs. Andrea Dolan as our new part-time Recycling Program Education and Training Administrator, filling the vacancy of Alessia Eramo,
- Both employees have an expected start date of Monday, July 27.
- Along with our two new employees, we finalized an internship for Ms. Julia Glenn. Julia, a student at Morris County Vocational School District (MCVSD), is part of its Environmental Academies Program, which the MCMUA has previously engaged with for internships.
 - She is interested in water quality and sustainability and will work on a capstone project centered on developing educational training for our school programs, while also participating in several projects with these same schools under our guidance.

Shared Service Agreement Updates:

Town of Boonton:

- In June, the MCMUA met with the Town to review our draft shared services agreement and discuss its details. We are waiting for updates on the inclusion of additional equipment in the draft and on how the recycling depot will be restructured. Once this is complete, a final agreement will be presented to the council for its consideration.

County College of Morris:

- In July, the MCMUA started negotiations to finalize a proposal with CCM regarding our collection of mixed paper from the school.
- This is an agreement outside of their current waste and recycling collection with another vendor, which does not cover mixed paper.
- A new five-year Shared Services Agreement is currently being drafted and will be presented to them soon.

Highlights for June and July Updates are as Follows:

All municipalities submitted their 2025 Municipal Tonnage Grant applications in April, and 38 of 39 towns resubmitted by the June 15 deadline to improve reports for review.

Thanks to the Division and municipal partners, our MCMUA revision added 63,457.42 tons (including 3,639.77 tons of food waste), roughly \$180,000, and is expected to boost our MSW and Recycling Rates by 9.2% for the 2025 rates.

- On June 18, the NJDEP announced 2023 grant awards and recycling rates.
- Overall, New Jersey's MSW and total recycling rates declined from the previous year.
- Morris County didn't meet its 50% MSW recycling goal for 2023, dropping from 46% to 45%, tying with Sussex County for third highest in the state.
- However, Morris achieved a 60% TSW recycling rate, down one percentage point from 62%, now tied for second highest in New Jersey.

- Despite statewide declines, Morris's figures remained stable due to diligent reporting, strong commitment from MRCs, and the MCMUA's review of initial reports.
- Out of 39 municipalities, 12 met the 50% MSW recycling goal, a decrease of two towns from last year, with many narrowly missing it.
 - Among towns with the largest increases are Mine Hill (+35%), Long Hill (+27%), and Rockaway Township (+27%).
 - Lowest-performing towns are Butler Borough (20%, down from 31%), Morristown (24%, up from 20%), and Kinnelon (27%, down from 31%).
 - Last year's lowest were Morristown (20%), Washington Township (20%, now 33%), and Mendham Township (24%, now 38%).
 - Per REA grant requirements, work is prioritized for the three lowest-recycling towns to boost their recycling rates and report on actions taken.
- On June 24, the MCMUA held its third Municipal Recycling Coordinator (MRC) meeting at the Morris County Library, with over 40 attendees, including neighboring county coordinators.
- Topics discussed included NJDEP Tonnage Grant Reports, MRC inspections, recycling resources, upcoming ANJR events, and the MCMUA Summer Newsletter.
- Presentations featured Terracycle and its recycling programs, like vape and battery recycling, and GreenChip, with a virtual tour of its NYC e-waste recycling facility.
- An Open Forum covered MRC roles, food waste strategies under the new law, future goals, 2023 vs. 2022 recycling rates, grant awards, and a ceremony honoring municipal efforts towards a 50% MSW recycling goal.

The Morris County boat shrink-wrap recycling program for Morris and Sussex Counties concluded in July. While we are still waiting for the final recycling data for both counties to be released, early figures indicate we have recycled 1.97 tons more than last year, exceeding last year's total, with additional recycling expected.

In June and July, collaboration with ANJR and Sustainable Jersey persisted. The focus was on enhancing education, training, and collaboration through ANJR's New Professionals Network. Meanwhile, efforts with Sustainable Jersey involved revising waste reduction initiatives with environmental commissions and promoting food reduction in schools statewide.

For clean communities, we completed the closeout of the 2025 Clean Communities Grant and are working on the final submittal of our end-of-grant report while advancing the statistical report compliance among our municipalities.

All of this goes toward our continued efforts to strengthen Morris County's environmental leadership.

Executive Summary

In June 2026, the preliminary single-stream recycling tip fee at Republic Services improved to negative \$80.77 per ton. The Board will consider a resolution authorizing an amendment to the shared services agreement with Chatham Township to add vegetative waste transportation services. The Solid Waste Planning Division welcomed two new staff members —

Ms. Lena Ouellette as Recycling Special Projects Coordinator & Program Assistant and Mrs. Andrea Dolan as Recycling Program Education and Training Administrator — along with intern Julia Glenn. The NJDEP released 2023 recycling data showing Morris County achieved a 45% Municipal Solid Waste recycling rate and a 61% Total Solid Waste recycling rate, both among the highest in the state despite a slight year-over-year decline. Through the Municipal Tonnage Grant program, 38 of 39 municipalities resubmitted reports, and MCMUA staff review added over 63,000 tons of reportable material, increasing combined recycling rates by approximately 9.2%. The Division held its third MRC meeting of the year, continued strong boat shrink-wrap recycling efforts, and completed closeout of the 2025 Clean Communities Grant while advancing statistical report compliance among municipalities.

Recycling Market and Operations Report Update

In June, the preliminary single-stream recycling rate with Republic Services was calculated at negative \$80.77 per ton, a \$0.56 improvement from the previous month's finalized rate of negative \$81.33 per ton.

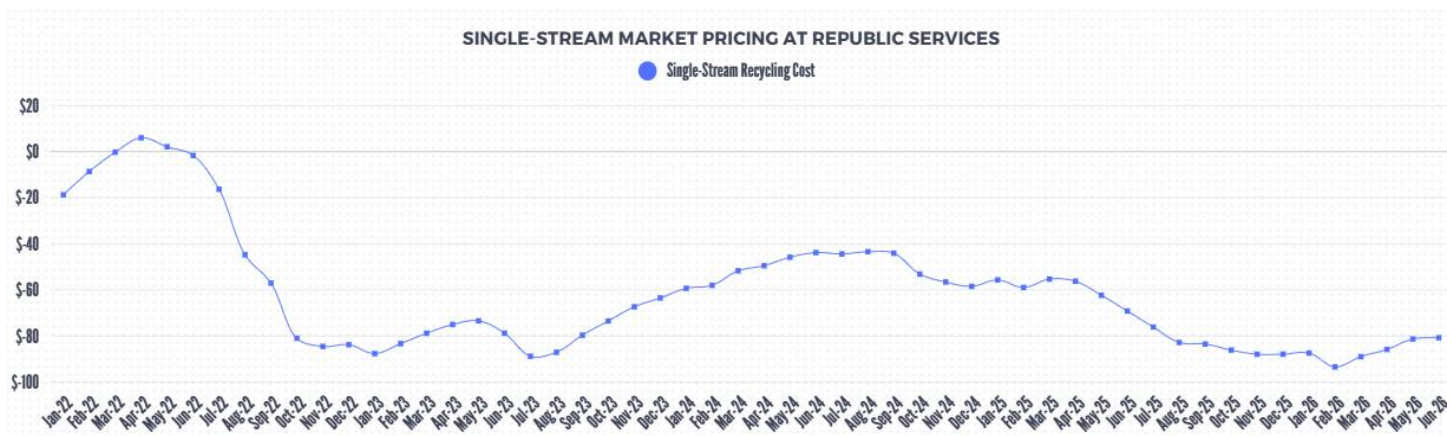
In June and early July, recycling markets in the Northeast US saw prices for steel, aluminum, paper, and cardboard rise slightly. However, plastic prices remained stable throughout this period, following a decline in virgin oil price highs.

In June, minor price rises were seen for Old Corrugated Containers (OCC) and sorted residential papers (SRP), driven by increased consumer spending. Robust domestic mill demand, supported by inventory management, kept more export-oriented fiber within the US. Additionally, recovered paper export prices rose due to strong demand from Southeast Asia and India for bulk grades, as well as tighter domestic supply. Logistics challenges, such as trucking shortages, prompted mills from other regions to source fiber outside their usual areas, helping to meet high demand in the Northeast.

In the metals industry, aluminum and steel prices continued to rise due to supply constraints, low stock levels, and strong industrial demand. Additionally, this growth is typical as we shift from the second to the third quarter, since traders tend to boost markets at quarter-end to improve their performance metrics before locking in profits at the start of a new quarter.

Glass prices remained stable throughout this timeframe.

Overall, post-consumer commodities are expected to see little to no growth, with plastic prices falling as we move farther into the summer and peace talks persist.



Monthly MCMUA single-stream recycling tip fees at Republic Services.

Resolution(s) for Board Consideration

Resolution Authorizing the “First Amendment to Agreement Providing for Curbside Collection, Transporting and Marketing of Recyclable Materials between the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority and the Township of Chatham Commencing on or about August 1, 2026.” To include vegetative waste transportation services:

- A resolution will be made before the Board for its consideration approving an amendment to the current curbside recycling shared services agreement between the MCMUA and the Township of Chatham. This amendment adds transportation of vegetative waste collected at the Township’s former compost site for recycling at the MCMUA’s two composting facilities.
- The Township is expected to adopt a resolution amending our current contract at its July 14th council meeting.

Ongoing Shared Service Agreements and Contract Activities

In June, Marrone worked on incorporating the following shared service agreements into our recycling collection program:

Town of Boonton Curbside and Depot Collection SSA Proposal Work:

On June 25, Marrone and Chavanne met with the Town to discuss changes to a new shared services agreement for curbside recycling and depot services, as the current contract expires at the end of 2026. Marrone focused on restructuring depot services, cataloging event dumpster requests, and streamlining curbside collection. This includes improving efficiency for commercial clients and enhancing educational services. A new shared services agreement is currently being drafted for their review and approval with these new changes. Additionally, new signage was also dropped off at the depot for their use with existing services and to improve education with the site’s residents.

Township of Chatham Vegetative Materials Depot Collection SSA Proposal:

On June 25, Marrone and Chavanne met with the Township to discuss and finalize amending the shared services agreement for curbside recycling as referenced above.

Solid Waste Planning Division Personnel Updates

MCMUA Advertises for Two Openings and an Internship within the Division:

Recycling Special Projects Coordinator & Program Assistant Position Update:

After filling our Recycling Outreach Coordinator position first, which Ms. Ashleigh Clenord now holds, we then advertised for the vacant full-time "Recycling Special Projects Coordinator & Program Assistant." We received 50 applications from a diverse group of entry-level graduates and experienced professionals. Nine interviews were conducted, and a candidate, Ms. Lena Ouellette, was chosen. She previously served as an Ambassador through the AmeriCorps NJ Watershed Ambassadors Program, hosted by the Sussex County Municipal Utilities Authority, where she was trained by their District Recycling Coordinator and Clean Communities Coordinator. They introduced her to various programs and worked to develop new initiatives for residents. Ouellette also has experience as a park naturalist with the NJDEP and holds degrees in sustainability studies and environmental science.

Ouellette will assist the Solid Waste Planning Division in developing environmental programs and special initiatives across the County, with a strong focus on major, long-term projects to raise our recycling rate above and beyond the 50% goal. In addition to assisting with ongoing educational and outreach programs, she will also develop new programs and initiatives aligned with State directives and the MCMUA's vision, such as assisting with our Recycling Enhancement Act (REA) grant initiatives, while serving as the programs lead, and applying research and critical thinking skills to guide their progress. In this role, she will also provide administrative and client relations support to the Curbside Recycling Division, including collection contracts and customer concerns or requests.

Recycling Program Education and Training Administrator Position Update:

In May, Mrs. Alessia Eramo left her part-time position at MCMUA where her responsibilities included working directly with municipalities to educate and train on recycling laws and mandates, leading initiatives to reduce food waste, managing various recycling training modules, devising innovative strategies to increase recycling rates, and more. We decided to rehire for this position and selected Mrs. Andrea Dolan. She holds a master's degree in business administration and accounting, a bachelor's in political science, and has extensive experience across public and private sectors, including managing campaigns, leading projects, and working on environmental initiatives for her town's (Morristown) environmental commission. Her primary focus will be on achieving recycling goals. She will also support the development of environmental programs and initiatives, particularly those related to the new County Planning Food Waste Reduction Law (N.J.S.A. 13:1E-227.1 et seq). This includes completing the food rescue report and developing future strategies, such as working with schools like the Morris School District and

Roxbury Schools, which received a Sustainable Jersey Grant, to reduce food waste through educational efforts with their students.

MCMUA Sponsored Internship with Morris County's Vocational School District:

In May, the MCMUA was approached by the Morris County Vocational School District's (MCVSD) Structured Learning Coordinator, inquiring about the possibility of hosting an intern for the 2026-2027 school year. After internal review, a revised internship description and work outline were developed and shared. The MCMUA received two applications and, following interviews, selected its intern. The chosen candidate, Julia Glenn, will create a capstone project involving educational modules on stormwater education and protection, while also supporting the MCMUA's school-based learning activities with guidance from the Division team. The internship program requires the student to complete a total of 120 hours with the partner agency.

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

Below are summaries of Recycling and Clean Communities' projects, public outreach, and education programs in June 2026. Details regarding these activities are provided in a supplemental report.

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

- MCMUA and the New Jersey Association of New Jersey Recyclers (ANJR) Joint Efforts
- MCMUA Attends the Union County Green Educational Forum
- MCMUA Participates in the Sustainable Jersey Waste Task Force Certification Revamp
- MCMUA Assists Sustainable Jersey's Efforts to Reduce Food Waste in Schools
- MCMUA Assists in Developing New Jersey's County Food Waste Reduction Guidance Document
- MCMUA Hosts In-Person MRC Recycling Facility Tours for its Coordinators and Partners
- MCMUA Open Space Properties Activities
- MCMUA Works Towards Reducing Food Waste and Strategically Plans Its Future Initiatives
- MCMUA and MCDPH Collaborations
- MCMUA Shared Service Agreement Customer Service Relations

Solid Waste Planning Activities and Special Projects

NJDEP Releases its Annual Awards for Recycling Grants and Associated Recycling Rates:

On June 18, the NJDEP released the 2023 grant awards and recycling rates. From those numbers, New Jersey generated a total of 21,715,349 tons of solid waste, which includes municipal solid waste and non-municipal waste such as construction debris. Of this, 11,469,020 tons were

recycled, for an overall recycling rate of 53 percent, a 1 percent decrease from the previous year. More specifically, New Jersey recycled 3,442,632 tons and disposed of 6,077,402 tons of municipal solid waste, resulting in a 36 percent recycling rate. This represents a two-percent decrease from 2022. To illustrate this data, each resident disposed of an average of 3.5 pounds of waste and recycled 2.1 pounds each day.

Examining Morris County more closely, we didn't meet our 50 percent Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) recycling goal for 2023, with a slight decrease from 46% to 45%. This places us tied with Sussex County for the third-highest recycling rate among New Jersey counties. On a positive note, Morris County achieved a 60% Total Solid Waste (TSW) recycling rate, down one percentage point from 62% to 61%. This again ties us with Sussex County, now for the second-highest rate in the state. Despite a general decline in recycling rates across counties statewide, Morris County's figures remained relatively stable. This stability is due to diligent reporting, strong commitment from our MRCs, and the MCMUA's first year of reviewing initial reports from our MRCs, offering revisions and suggestions for improvement.

Looking at the numbers at the municipal level, of our 39 municipalities, 12 have achieved their 50% MSW recycling goals, a two-town decrease from the previous year; however, many just missed the mark by one or two percentage points. Those towns with the largest rate increases include Mine Hill, with a 35% increase; Long Hill, with a 27% increase; and Rockaway Township, with a 27% increase. The three lowest-performing towns are now Butler Borough at 20% (down from 31%), Morristown at 24% (up from 20%), and Kinnelon at 27% (down from 31%). Last year's three lowest-performing towns were Morristown at 20% (now at 24%), Washington Township at 20% (now at 33%), and Mendham Township at 24% (now at 38%). As a reminder, per our REA tax grant requirements, we must work with the three lowest-performing towns to increase their recycling rates and report on the actions taken in support of these efforts. While we make a concerted effort to work directly with those towns, increase recycling education, and develop innovative ways to increase their rates, the MCMUA has increased its support through the municipal tonnage grant program by soliciting reports, reviewing applications, providing the MRCs with additional resources, and providing one-on-one, personalized training. We have also increased education through our MRC meetings and ANJR reporting efforts, all of which the NJDEP has commended on multiple occasions. Below is a screenshot of the 2023 County Rate Table, along with our 2022 rate for reference.

2023 County Rate Table									
2023 GENERATION, DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING RATES IN NEW JERSEY (Tons)									
County	POPULATION	GENERATION	DISPOSAL			RECYCLING			
	2023 Estimate	Disposal and Recycling	MSW	Non-MSW	TOTAL	MSW	MSW %	Total Recycled w/ Add-ons	Total % Recycled
Atlantic	275,213	635,765	211,336.29	118,405.99	329,742.28	116,880.04	36%	306,022.53	48%
Bergen	957,736	2,032,263	682,972.88	368,598.09	1,051,570.97	384,680.06	36%	980,691.76	48%
Burlington	469,167	1,052,731	318,782.62	153,758.65	472,541.27	231,003.41	42%	580,189.97	55%
Camden	527,196	1,073,753	353,724.19	305,946.51	659,670.70	167,029.91	32%	414,082.40	39%
Cape May	94,610	431,914	95,287.80	92,285.48	187,573.28	59,502.13	38%	244,340.47	57%
Cumberland	152,326	483,540	98,969.11	102,343.04	201,312.15	150,621.65	60%	282,227.75	58%
Essex	851,117	1,732,820	458,804.02	484,540.64	943,344.66	173,130.58	27%	789,475.63	46%
Gloucester	308,423	1,059,777	190,207.82	330,156.41	520,364.23	178,483.44	48%	539,413.25	51%
Hudson	705,472	1,221,097	450,729.21	136,924.93	587,654.14	108,227.33	19%	633,442.54	52%
Hunterdon	130,183	214,538	68,209.63	43,362.37	111,572.00	36,443.30	35%	102,965.87	48%
Mercer	381,671	858,368	249,672.84	140,018.41	389,691.25	197,831.79	44%	468,676.44	55%
Middlesex	863,623	2,647,578	554,971.16	309,383.49	864,354.65	381,490.86	41%	1,783,223.31	67%
Monmouth	642,799	1,783,097	442,560.90	311,507.53	754,068.43	309,069.44	41%	1,029,028.45	58%
Morris	514,423	1,246,987	303,955.16	177,931.09	481,886.25	246,236.28	45%	765,100.56	61%
Ocean	659,197	1,218,471	468,348.68	267,757.93	736,106.61	214,599.81	31%	482,364.57	40%
Passaic	513,395	1,192,049	398,724.71	235,493.17	634,217.88	151,911.33	28%	557,831.23	47%
Salem	65,338	166,475	42,490.66	43,298.89	85,789.55	28,419.55	40%	80,685.89	48%
Somerset	348,842	734,393	243,630.41	154,218.96	397,849.37	104,573.88	30%	336,544.12	46%
Sussex	146,132	282,250	76,954.75	33,892.91	110,847.66	61,935.40	45%	171,402.05	61%
Union	572,726	1,483,428	327,253.35	322,223.60	649,476.95	118,770.83	27%	833,950.81	56%
Warren	111,252	164,055	39,816.20	36,879.35	76,695.55	21,790.84	35%	87,359.91	53%
TOTAL	9,290,841	21,715,349	6,077,402	4,168,927	10,246,330	3,442,632	36%	11,469,020	53%

2022 County Rate Table									
2022 GENERATION, DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING RATES IN NEW JERSEY (Tons)									
COUNTY	POPULATION	GENERATION	DISPOSAL			RECYCLING			
	2022 Estimate	Disposal and Recycling	MSW	Non-MSW	TOTAL	MSW	MSW %	Total Recycled w/ Add-ons	Total % Recycled
Morris	514,423	1,266,064	303,456.52	175,799.01	479,255.53	262,046.10	46%	786,808.09	62%

Recycling Enhancement Act (REA) & Municipal Tonnage Grant (MTG) Program Activities:

2025 Municipal Tonnage Grant (MTG) Program Activities:

By the end of the day on April 30, all 39 municipalities in Morris County submitted their 2025 Municipal Tonnage Grant Applications to the NJDEP. Throughout May and June, the MCMUA continued to collect recycling tonnage reports and worked to improve Morris County's recycling rate. During this time, Marrone, Chavanne, and Clenord collaborated with the municipalities to solicit and gather recycling reports from both new and established generators, haulers, and end-processing facilities. This year, we successfully obtained 76 reports, 22 more than last year, supplementing our Municipal Recycling Coordinators' (MRCs) efforts. These reports were distributed to municipal recycling coordinators and posted on the MCMUA website for this reporting period. Additionally, Marrone, Chavanne, and Clenord offered personalized assistance to our municipal coordinators, addressing their questions about reporting, filing, and cataloging the information they collected.

From mid-May to early June, we thoroughly reviewed each municipality's report, checked for missing reportable tonnage, and corrected identified errors. As in previous years, our goal was for all 39 towns to resubmit their reports. Historically, about 75% of towns complied. To ensure full compliance this year, we prioritized municipalities that did not resubmit last year, early review of their reports, communication with coordinators, creation of a resubmission schedule, and follow-ups as the June 15 deadline approached. Thanks to efforts by the Division and the commitment of our municipal partners, 38 towns successfully resubmitted, which is 10 more than last year. Only one town declined to resubmit its report with our suggested edits, despite our assistance, which could have increased its grant funding and recycling rate.

Looking at the submitted data, Chavanne analyzed the tonnage numbers and categories from our municipalities' reports, with a more in-depth analysis to follow to improve our combined county and municipal recycling reporting efforts for 2026. Key findings include: 685,237.05 tons reported as recycled, a 20% drop from last year's reporting, Randolph, Roxbury, and Dover reported 23.51% of total numbers received; sectors contributed: 467,277.21 tons from commercial, 216,912.77 from residential, 541.15 from industrial, and 505.35 from institutional; main materials were construction debris, corrugated cardboard, leaves, and oil-contaminated soil, totaling 72.84% of those materials recycled. Batteries, lights, paints, and process residue accounted for only 0.02%, while food waste accounted for 1.32%. Morris County expects approximately \$1,066,410 in future funding under the REA Rate Band Table provided for that reporting period. Our MCMUA revision process, which reviewed our municipalities' reports, added 63,457.42 tons (including 3,639.77 tons of food waste), totaling roughly \$179,993.74 and a combined 9.2% increase in our MSW and Total Recycling Rates, depending on consistent categorization.

MCMUA Solid Waste Planning Division Holds its Third MRC Meeting of the 2026 Calendar Year:

On June 24, the MCMUA held its third Municipal Recycling Coordinator (MRC) meeting of the year at the Morris County Library. With over 40 attendees, including some neighboring county coordinators, the meeting provided credits for Certified Recycling Coordinators, Public Health officials, and Certified Public Works Managers. The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) mandates that all MRCs attend at least one county meeting annually. At the conclusion of this meeting, all 39 MRCs from Morris County met this requirement. Two additional MRC meetings are planned for the remainder of 2026, the fourth meeting in September being the 5-county regional meeting hosted by Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, and Passaic at the Meadowlands Environmental Center in Lyndhurst, and the fifth and last meeting of the year being held at the MCMUA's facilities in October, where coordinators will tour our Mount Olive Transfer Station, HHW Facility, and Mount Olive Vegetative Waste Recycling Facility while going over rules, regulations, best practices, history of the site and current practices.

The meeting agenda included a welcome and overview of new educational materials and program updates by Marrone, covering topics such as the NJDEP Municipal Tonnage Grant Reports, MRC inspections, recycling resources, and the MCMUA Summer Newsletter. The meeting presentations included Terracycle, which presented on its recycling programs, including initiatives like vape and battery recycling, and GreenChip, which took attendees on a virtual tour of its electronic waste recycling facility in New York City, demonstrating its material processing. Marrone then facilitated an Open Forum discussing the Roles and Responsibilities of MRCs, food waste strategies in Morris County under the new county food waste reduction law, future goals, a comparison of 2023 and 2022 municipal recycling rates, grant awards, and an awards ceremony highlighting the work of our municipalities over the past year and efforts towards the 50% MSW recycling goal. The session concluded with an interactive recycling game led by Chavanne, which received positive feedback, followed by closing remarks about upcoming events.

MCMUA Boat Shrink Wrap Recycling Stewardship Efforts:

The Morris County boat shrink-wrap recycling program, started on April 1, has been extended through June in Morris County and into July in Sussex County. It features two drop-off locations: Lee's County Park Marina in Mount Arlington and the Jefferson Township Health Center off Minnisink Road. Throughout the month, Marrone worked with Roxbury Township's Municipal Recycling Coordinator and the Lake Hopatcong Foundation (LHF) to keep the program running. This involved engaging boaters and other material users around the lake, maintaining and monitoring the drop-off sites, organizing container exchanges and compaction, and coordinating with the recycler to transport materials to their facility. The MCMUA is still waiting for the final recycling data for both counties. Still, early figures indicate we have recycled 1.97 tons more than last year, exceeding last year's total, with additional recycling expected.

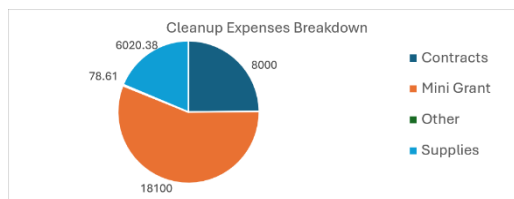
Morris County Clean Communities Program

2025 Clean Communities Grant Update and Final Reporting:

June 30, 2026, marked the deadline for Counties and Municipalities to use their 2025 Clean Communities Grants or to request extensions. Throughout June, Chavanne focused on completing the grant spending and preparing the final report for the NJ Clean Communities Council, detailing the MCMUA's activities and expenditures for that grant period. In doing so, the following is the breakdown of the \$126,999.77 awarded to the MCMUA for the 2025 Clean Communities Grant.

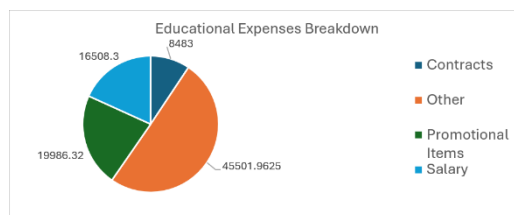
Litter Cleanup Expenses: \$32,198.99

- Broken down as expenses for Adopt-A-Highway (contracted for county roadway cleanups), School Litter Cleanup Mini Grants, tipping fees (other), and the cost of cleanup supplies to run the program.



Litter Educational Expenses: \$90,479.58

- Broken down as contracted litter educational presentations, promotional items, part-time employee salaries, office and educational material supplies (other), conference and training registrations (other), and an extension to purchase a departmental vehicle (other). Note: The "other" expenses category includes the \$31,749.94 grant extension to purchase an MCMUA vehicle



Administrative Expenses: \$4,321.20

- Broken down as expenses related to Clean Communities Coordinator meeting supplies, such as speaker fees and catering.

Litter Enforcement Expenses: \$0

- No enforcement expenses were made in this grant period. However, the new grant will look to expand new litter enforcement activities in 2026-2027 with the MCDPH. These would be working with the County Health Department to purchase cameras for illegal dumping, signage, advertisements, and so on.

MCMUA Clean Communities Statistical Report Compliance:

Throughout June, Chavanne worked with our municipalities to submit their outstanding Clean Communities Statistical Reports to the Clean Communities Council for grant years 2020 to 2024. Currently, 26 out of 39 Morris County municipalities are caught up with their outstanding reports. Chavanne continues to work with our municipalities with outstanding reports to increase our overall compliance with the Clean Communities Program. In addition to this work, Chavanne continues to improve statistical reporting compliance for the 2025 grant report due July 31 in Morris County through targeted outreach and one-on-one sessions with new coordinators and in specific towns.

Morris County Clean Communities Sponsored County Roadway Cleanup(s):

In June, the Morris County Clean Communities Litter Abatement Program continued its efforts to remove litter from county roads, working with the contractor Adopt-A-Highway. On June 15, the team focused on Berkshire Valley Road in Jefferson Township, where five volunteers covered 2.5 miles, collecting one bag of trash, 11 bags of recyclables, 7 lbs. of scrap metal, a tire, 10 lbs. of wood, a car mat, and a full bottle of used motor oil. The tire was taken to the Mosquito Commission, and the motor oil to the MCMUA HHW Facility.

Deacon and Chavanne contacted the Morris County Roads Department to identify other litter-prone areas in need of cleanup. Meanwhile, Civitella has been developing a GIS map to track regularly cleaned areas, their cleaning frequencies, and locations to be added for future cleanup efforts and statistical calculations.

OLD BUSINESS:

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

NEW BUSINESS:

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

PUBLIC PORTION:

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

CLOSED SESSION:

Chairman Dour asked the Board for a Motion for the meeting to go into closed session at 7:52 p.m. to discuss attorney-client privileged information and litigation regarding AJACO Towing.

MOTION: Mr. Druetzler made a Motion for the meeting to go into closed session at 7:52 p.m. to discuss attorney-client privileged information and litigation regarding AJACO Towing and Mr. Smith seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 6 NAYES: NONE ABSTENSIONS: NONE

Chairman Dour asked the Board for a Motion for the meeting to go into open session at 8:07 p.m.

MOTION: Ms. Farris made a Motion for the meeting to go into open session at 8:07 p.m. and Mr. Smith seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 6 NAYES: NONE ABSTENSIONS: NONE

There being no further business, Chairman Dour asked for a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

MOTION: Ms. Farris made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. Dr. Kominos seconded the Motion and it was carried unanimously.

Marilyn Regner
Secretary

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