

## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

**JUNE 8, 2021**

The Regular Meeting of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority was held on June 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the First Floor Conference Room at the MCMUA Offices located at 214A Center Grove Road, Randolph, New Jersey. Due to the Covid-19 Virus State of Emergency, this meeting was held remotely using conference call software.

Chairman Dour called the meeting to order and read the following:

In accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, notice 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 stating that this meeting would take place at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, June 8, 2021. Additional notice regarding remote public access due to the Covid19 emergency is provided at the MCMUA entrance, on its website and in the Daily Record.

Chairman Dour requested a roll call.

**PRESENT:** Mr. James Barry, Mr. Frank Druetzler, Mr. Gene Feyl,  
Mr. Michael Guadagno, Mr. William Hudzik, Dr. Dorothea Kominos,  
Dr. Arthur Nusbaum, and Mr. Christopher Dour.

Ms. Szwak entered meeting at 7:03 p.m.

**ABSENT:** NONE

Also present were Larry Gindoff, Executive Director; Michael McAloon, Suburban Consulting Engineers; Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer; Marilyn Regner, Secretary; Brad Carney, Esq., Maraziti Falcon LLP; James Deacon, Solid Waste Coordinator; Liz Sweedy, District Recycling Coordinator; Tom Lemanowicz, Alaimo Group; and Tayfun Selen, Commissioner-liaison.

Chairman Dour asked for the Board's approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated May 11, 2021.

**MOTION:** Ms. Szwak made a Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2021 and Mr. Guadagno seconded the Motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: 9            NAYES: NONE    ABSTENTIONS: NONE

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Mr. Kaletcher presented the Treasurer's Report for the Solid Waste Operating and Water Operating for the month of May 2021. Also included are the Comparative Balance Reports for both Solid Waste and Water Divisions through the month of May 31, 2021 and an Investment Report that shows no new investments were purchased during the month of May 2021. These reports have been incorporated in these Minutes.

Chairman Dour asked the Board for a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report:

MOTION: Mr. Hudzik made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Mr. Barry seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 9 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Chairman Dour asked for the Board's approval of the vouchers:

**BILL RESOLUTION NO. 21-47**

**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. 21-47 containing 7 pages for a total of **\$3,158,463.81** dated and made a part hereof by reference.

**SUMMARY**

**CHECK NUMBERS**

WATER OPERATING FUNDS	5497-5531	\$	128,590.66
SOLID WASTE OPERATING	12144-12231	\$	<u>3,029,873.15</u>
		\$	<b>3,158,463.81</b>

**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 OR WARRANTS to the vouchers for payment and have determined it to be correct.

DATE: June 8, 2021

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: June 8, 2021.

DATE: June 8, 2021

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Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer

MOTION: Mr. Barry made a Motion that the vouchers be approved for payment and Mr. Hudzik seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 9 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Mr. Kaletcher mentioned that we still have not received any draft version of our 2021 Audit. Our Auditors are still waiting for pension numbers from the State and that is the only thing that is holding them up from providing us with a draft. They are hopeful that they can provide us with that draft in the next couple of weeks.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mr. Gindoff mentioned that there is no additional correspondence. We submitted three items that were sent out with the packet. He highlighted one item, which is the Request regarding the American Rescue Plan that was sent to the Commissioners' Advisory Committee on spending under that Plan. Hopefully, we will have some consideration for some of these good useful spending products that could help. Mr. Druetzler mentioned that it was a good letter and that the MUA will get funding, and the reason for that is that we have a great Commissioner as our liaison.

Chairman Dour asked if there are any towns in the County that currently have the automated pick-up. Mr. Gindoff replied yes; Morris Township does for both recycling and garbage. There are a few others also. He mentioned that it is quite impressive. Mr. Druetzler mentioned that in Morris Township someone put a concrete block in their garbage, so when it was dumped in the vehicle, it was broken. Mr. Gindoff commented that contamination is definitely a serious issue.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **ADMINISTRATION**

1. MCMUA's Request Regarding American Rescue Plan dated Thursday, May 27, 2021 prepared by Larry Gindoff and submitted to the Morris County Commissioner COVID-19 Strategic Planning Advisory Committee with suggestions regarding MCMUA's request for recommended uses of the funds.

### **WATER**

2. Letter dated May 28, 2021 to Jeff Elam, Chief Engineer, Southeast Morris County M.U.A., copied to Michael McAloon, Suburban Engineering, from Amy Breitwieser, P.E., CP Engineers, LLC regarding Request for Water for the Borough of Mt. Arlington.

### **SOLID WASTE**

3. Letter dated May 17, 2021 to Michele Reilly, Township Clerk, Township of Jefferson, from James Deacon regarding Morris County Solid Waste Management Plan Administrative Action Request for Jefferson Recycling, LLC – Class B Recycling Facility Modification.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

Mr. McAloon reported on the following: (1) Water sales remain positive because of warm weather and lack of rainfall, though today will be an indicator that sales will be dipping next month.; (2) There was a minor electrical issue at the Mine Hill Booster Pump in Mt. Arlington. Crews were able to troubleshoot and identify the repair. Tony Milonas is going through some additional electrical inspections to make sure that it was just an anomaly that we experienced.; (3) Mine Hill did have a water break on Saturday, May 22. This was a portion of their distribution system that had the leak. Unfortunately, in order to complete those repairs, they needed to close MUA's 12" main and doing so, it caused a lower than normal pressure in Roxbury. Crews were able to get the service restored around 4:30 a.m.; (4) Suburban did perform the Remote Operated Vehicle inspection over at the Mt. Olive Transfer Station fire storage tank. We did have a few minor recommendations, but in general, the tank is fair condition with anticipated 5-10 years of useful life remaining, however, we did reach out to N.J. American Water and tried to discuss additional considerations for a water main connection to provide water supply to the facility. They did provide some guidance and we are working with Staff to coordinate what the next steps would be.

Mr. Gindoff gave some background on this. In essence, they have water provided to the International Trade Zone, which is right behind the Transfer Station. Hopefully with some approvals to go outside their franchise to the Transfer Station, which is serviced by our own well and tank, we should get additional water for firefighting, potable water, as well as clean-up water which would help improve our tipping floors life expectancy if we had better pressure to clean our floors with. He added that we are hoping that there is a way to connect to them as soon as possible. This is something that we should be pursuing.

Dr. Nusbaum asked how far is the Netcong Wellfield from that site and do they have any connections we could consider? Mr. McAloon replied that he is not particularly familiar where the Netcong well sites are. Mr. Gindoff commented that they are a lot further away; they are next to the Police Barracks right off of Route 206.

(5) Remediation work at the Hercules Facility is anticipated to continue in the coming months. What this means for the MUA is they are going to be taking additional quantities of water as part of their agreement with Roxbury from an existing hydrant. We are working with the representatives to ensure adequate protection over our critical infrastructure in that area. It is our understanding that they are going to be bringing in over-sized loads of equipment and material so we want to make sure that our water mains are adequately protected.; (6) At the Maintenance Garage, we do have to present Change Order No. 1, Hilt Construction, for the additional work necessary to complete repairs to the façade and masonry parapet, as well as bring some of the electrical work into code compliance. Through performing the work in the field, they uncovered some unforeseen and unanticipated conditions and have prepared a Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$26,169.51 or approximately 16 ½ percent of the original contract value.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-48**  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1**  
**TO CONTRACT W2-20**  
**MCMUA MAINTENANCE GARAGE UPDATES**

**WHEREAS**, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (“MCMUA”) and Hilt Construction, Inc., 120 Old Camplain Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844 (“Hilt”) entered into an agreement on December 21, 2021 to perform improvements to the existing MCMUA Maintenance Garage including installation of a trench drain, roof replacement, window replacement, LED lighting upgrades, and brick re-pointing. in accordance with a contract that was subject to public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, additional masonry work to the parapet was needed to allow for the roof installation due to the existing mason blocks deteriorating along with additional façade brick repair and installation. Electrical work was required to have existing items meet the current electrical code regarding cable support, emergency signage and incoming building power connection. This required work was to be performed by Hilt and said work was not included in the original contract documents (the “Change Order No. 1 Work”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Change Order No. 1 Work requires an increase in the contract price in the amount of \$26,169.51 for the completion of the work, without increasing the time for completion; and

**WHEREAS**, Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. (“SCE”) evaluated the aforementioned Change Order No. 1 Work and the aforementioned request for an increase in the contract price with the contract time for completion remaining the same pursuant to its Change Order Form to Hilt, dated June 02, 2021, and SCE recommends approval of Change Order No. 1 which increases the contract price in the amount of \$26,169.51, but does not increase the contract time for completion of the work; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA is satisfied that the proposed Change Order is justified and meets the requirements of N.J.S.A. 5:34-4.2 and N.J.A.C. 5:30-11; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA Treasurer has certified that sufficient funds are available in the Capital Improvement Fund, account number 02-6-300-800-015 for Change Order No. 1; and

**WHEREAS**, Hilt agrees in Change Order No. 1 that the \$26,169.51 increase in the contract price for the completion of the work and the zero day time extension is full compensation for the work required to be performed pursuant to Change Order No. 1 and Hilt, its officers, employees, successors and assigns, release the Morris County Municipal Utilities

Authority, its members, officers, employees, and consultants of any and all claims, including, but not limited to disruption, delay, loss of productivity, idle and standby time for persons and equipment, home office overhead, extended or disrupted performance, additional mobilizations, remobilizations, indirect or impact claims, loss of profit, together with any other damages, that relate in any way to the work described in Change Order No. 1.

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

1. The Executive Director is authorized and directed to execute Change Order No. 1 with Hilt Construction, Inc., 120 Old Camplain Road, Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844 increasing the contract price in the amount of \$26,169.51 without increasing the contract time for the work described in Change Order No. 1.
2. The Executive Director, staff and consultants are authorized to take all appropriate actions to effectuate this Resolution and Change Order No. 1.
3. 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 June 8, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

**MOTION:** Mr. Barry made a Motion to authorize execution of Change Order No. 1 to Contract W2-20, MCMUA Maintenance Garage Updates and Mr. Druetzler seconded the Motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: 9                      NAYES: NONE                      ABSTENTIONS: NONE

(7) Mt. Arlington Water Storage Tank Rehab – We are working with the Contractor. Unfortunately, they are experiencing some long lead item, such as the pre-cast chamber. Unfortunately, due to the supply chain issues, we are experiencing a delay in the Project kick-off. We are working with the Contractor to understand what the schedule would be. The major impact to this interconnection, it is necessary and critical for us to take the tank out-of-service for the rehab project. We are working on what we can do to mitigate the schedule.; (8) Regarding the Paving Projects, the Contract A work at the Markewicz Pump Station was completed. We have a final Change Order to close out that Contract, which results in an overall credit in the amount of \$7,010.40. There was some additional milling and service course that was needed to complete the project satisfaction. There was reductions in unused quantities as well.

Mr. McAloon asked for the Board’s approval of the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-49  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1  
TO CONTRACT 2021-MCMUA01 Paving,  
Paving Improvements at Various Locations, Contract A**

**WHEREAS**, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (“MCMUA”) and Reivax Contracting Corp., 68 FINDERNE AVENUE, BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807 (“RCC”) entered into an

agreement on April 5, 2021 to perform Paving Improvements at Various locations, specifically the MCMUA's Markewicz Pump Station in accordance with a contract that was subject to public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, additional quantities of Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) 9.5M64 Surface Course, 2" Thick, and Hot Mix Asphalt Milling, 2" or less was required to be performed by RCC. Additionally, un-used quantities in the Contract that have not been performed have been eliminated from the overall contract price as identified in (the "Change Order No. 1 Work"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Change Order No. 1 Work results in a decrease in the contract price in the amount of \$7,010.40 and no time extension of the contract time for the completion of the work; and

**WHEREAS**, SUBURBAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. ("SCE") evaluated the aforementioned Change Order No. 1 Work and the aforementioned decrease in the contract price and SCE recommends approval of Change Order No. 1 which decreases the contract price in the amount of \$7,010.40 and maintains the current completion date of the Contract; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA is satisfied that the proposed Change Order is justified and meets the requirements of N.J.S.A. 5:34-4.2 and N.J.A.C. 5:30-11; and

**WHEREAS**, RCC agrees in Change Order No. 1 that the \$7,010.40 decrease in the contract price and no time extension for the completion of the work is full compensation for the work required to be performed pursuant to Change Order No. 1 and CII, its officers, employees, successors and assigns, release the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, its members, officers, employees, and consultants of any and all claims, including, but not limited to disruption, delay, loss of productivity, idle and standby time for persons and equipment, home office overhead, extended or disrupted performance, additional mobilizations, remobilizations, indirect or impact claims, loss of profit, together with any other damages, that relate in any way to the work described in Change Order No. 1

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

1. The Executive Director is authorized and directed to execute Change Order No. 1 with Reivax Contracting Corp., 68 Finderne Avenue, Bridgewater, NJ 08807 decreasing the contract price in the amount of \$7,010.40 and no time extension for the work described in Change Order No. 1.
2. The Executive Director, staff and consultants are authorized to take all appropriate actions to effectuate this Resolution and Change Orders No. 1.
3. 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 June 8, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Marilyn Regner, Secretary

**MOTION:** Mr. Guadagno made a Motion to authorize execution of Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021 – MCMUA Paving, Paving Improvements At Various Locations, Contract A and Mr. Hudzik seconded the Motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: 9                      NAYES: NONE                      ABSTENTIONS: NONE

(9) We are still working on getting the paving Contractor for Household Hazardous Waste scheduled. Paving Work at the Compost Facility has progressed. The Contractor has completed most of the ancillary and prep work in preparation for the final milling and paving. Due to the high traffic that impacts the operations, we have the work set for the week of the June 21 and the Contractor anticipates being completed by Friday, June 25.; (10) We did receive a request from Mt. Arlington for scheduled meeting between the MUA, Mt. Arlington and Southeast to discuss potential water allocation agreements. We are working on getting that meeting scheduled and we will report back to the Board. Chairman Dour asked there is going to be a Sub-Committee Meeting associated with that and Mr. Gindoff replied afterwards.; (10) The final resolution is regarding the decommissioning of the 3G wireless service and an upgrade to 4G Modems. Mr. Gindoff clarified that this resolution is really for the ability for PCS to honor their proposal for the Mt. Arlington work on the pumps and the storage and the additional work for the modems will come in the future in the form of another proposal and resolution.

Mr. McAloon asked for the Board’s approval of the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-50**  
**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**  
**PCS INTEGRATORS**

**WHEREAS**, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (“MCMUA”) has a need to acquire a vendor for programming and integration work in regards to the MCMUA Mt. Arlington Pump Station VFD modification and other S.C.A.D.A. software water system 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, PCS Integrators, having a business address of 41 Plymouth St. Fairfield, NJ 07004 the attached proposal for the work to be performed; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract to be awarded will include a requirement that the work shall be completed by December 31, 2021; and

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

1. The required Business Entity Disclosure Certification form has been submitted and will be placed on file.
2. The required Political Contribution Disclosure form has been submitted and will be placed on file.
3. The contract will prohibit the vendor from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.
4. 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.

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA Treasurer certifies that sufficient funds are available from Budget account number 02-6-300-800-015 for the work to be performed.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that it does hereby authorize the Executive Director to execute a vendor service contract with PCS Integrators in a form and with terms and conditions subject to the satisfaction of the MCMUA's Executive Director and counsel, 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 for the work set forth in the proposal from PCS Integrators, dated November 24, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$16,934.04.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** as follows:

1. The Business Entity Disclosure Certification and Political Contribution Disclosure be placed on file with this resolution.
2. 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.
3. 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 June 8, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Marilyn Regner, Secretary

**MOTION:** Mr. Guadagno made a Motion to approve a Vendor Service Contract On A "Non-Fair and Open" Basis Pursuant To The Pay-To-Play Law for PCS Integrators and Mr. Hudzik seconded the Motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: 9                      NAYES: NONE                      ABSTENTIONS: NONE

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

#### **PROJECT STATUS**

##### *1. General System*

- A. Through May 2021, MCMUA sold approximately 643.863 MG to date. This total volume of water sold to date is above the total sold for the same period in 2020 (629.745 MG), and in 2019 (571.443 MG) respectively. It is believed the increase in water sales is due to the warmer temperatures and lack of recent rainfall resulting in use of irrigation systems.
- B. The existing Mine Hill booster pump located in the Mount Arlington Booster station experienced electrical failure the week of May 17. Upon troubleshooting, it was determined a fuse had failed in the pump starter. Additional electrical inspections are schedule to ensure pump operation.
- C. On Saturday May 22, Water Superintendent received a call from Roxbury Township water department advising of lower-than-normal water pressure. Upon investigation of water system personnel, it was observed that a leak on the existing 12-inch watermain supplying Mine Hill and a portion of Roxbury Township. In efforts to complete the



repairs by representatives from Mine Hill, an isolation valve was closed as part of the controlled outage resulting in the lower-than-normal pressure, however, positive pressure was maintained during the repair. The repairs were completed, and service was restored at approximately 4:30AM on Sunday May 23. MCMUA representatives observed the repairs and performed flushing of the hydrants downstream.

- D. SCE performed a Remote Operated Vehicle (ROV) inspection on the existing water storage tank on the fire suppression system at the Mt. Olive Transfer Station on Thursday May 27 to observe the condition of the tank interior. SCE is preparing recommendations for improvements to this tank, including installation of additional signage, and minor improvements. Based on the current tank condition, it is anticipated 5-10 years of useful life remaining; however, it is our understanding there is an existing NJAW watermain installed in Gold Mine Road. Additional considerations and discussions should be pursued for a watermain extension to service the facility from the existing potable water system.
- E. Remediation work at the Hercules facility is anticipated to continue in the coming months. Representatives for the facility have previously discussed obtaining water from the Roxbury Township portion of the 12-inch distribution main on Howard Blvd. We are working on scheduling a field meeting with representatives to discuss protection of the existing 24-inch watermain to the Mt. Arlington Booster station, as oversize loads are necessary to complete this work. It is anticipated a dedicated temporary construction entrance will be constructed off of Howard Blvd. for these oversize trucks. We will continue our positive communication with the representatives to ensure successful coordination.

## 2. Maintenance Garage Updates

As discussed at the May meeting, we present to the board Change Order #1 to Hilt Construction to complete additional work necessary to complete repairs to the masonry work on the Façade and Parapet, as well to bring the electrical work to code. During the demolition of the existing roof membrane, the CMU block which comprises the parapet wall was determined to be deteriorated. Additionally, repair of the brick and mortar on the façade was also required to improve the structural condition. When completing the installation of the replacement LED lights, the contractor uncovered several items which were required to be repaired/replaced to meet the current electrical code regarding cable support, emergency signage and incoming building power connections. SCE has received the proposed change order, and recommended approval for the additional amount of **\$26,169.51** or approximately 16.5% of the original contract amount. This value includes the reduction of un-used items. The work is anticipated to be performed once the change order is approved.

## 3. Mt. Arlington Water Storage Tank Rehabilitation

### **Contract A – Tank Isolation**

The Contractor is coordinating with the respective vendors for the long lead items, such as the pre-cast chamber. Unfortunately, with the current supply chain issues, we are experiencing a delay in the project kick-off. We are working with the Contractor to understand the schedule impacts and potential ways to mitigate.

## 4. MCMUA Paving Improvement Project

**Contract A – Markewicz Pump Station:** We anticipate presenting to the board, the final contract change order to Reivax Contractor Corp to reconcile unit price items. This change order results in an overall credit in the amount of **(\$7,010.40)**. This includes additional milling and surface course asphalt, and reduces unused quantities of base course, leveling course, and DGA sub-base.

**Contract B – Household Hazardous Waste:** We are actively working to schedule the pre-construction meeting and the work schedule for this project.

**Contract C – Parsippany Compost Facility:** The Contractor mobilized to the site and began the ancillary contract work. This includes installation of a new catch basin, loading wall replacement, installation of sub-base materials for paved surface extensions, and installation of asphalt base course. The Contractor anticipates performing the milling and paving of the existing access driveway the week of June 21, resulting in a temporary shutdown of the facility during that time. The Contractor anticipates project completion by Friday June 25.

5. Mount Arlington Request for additional Water Allocation

The Borough of Mount Arlington, and its representatives have requested a meeting between MCMUA and SMCMUA to discuss a potential agreement among the three entities to satisfy the Borough's water needs which are highlighted over the next several years and result in approximately 4.0 MGM and 24.5 MGY additional water supply. Additional details on this require further discussion between the three parties, as well as discussion with the Water Committee.

6. 4G Modem Replacements and Integration Services:

Due to recent decommissioning of 3G wireless service by AT&T used for the communication between assets of the water system and its SCADA system, the MCMUA needs to replace the modems used with new 4G modems. A resolution authorizing the purchase of modems effectuating this required switch to 4G service will be placed before the Board for its consideration at the July meeting. Quotes for these modems are to be received by the MCMUA on June 8.

A resolution authorizing the award of integration work to PCS Integrators related to the MCMUA's conversion at its Mt. Arlington Pump Station from tank pressure to system pressure will be presented to the Board for its consideration at the June meeting. The resolution for the integration services, will be in a format authorizing non-fair and open contracts pursuant to the provisions of the "New Jersey Local Unit Pay-To-Play" Law. Adoption of this resolution will also prepare the MCMUA to accept additional proposals from PCS in the near future to install the modems mentioned above with total integration work with PCS not to exceed \$44,000.

**SOLID, HAZARDOUS & VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:**

Mr. Deacon called on Mr. Lemanowicz to provide his updates. He reported that we did finish the video inspection of both facilities. We had some technical issues, but we got that all taken care of. Right now we are putting titles to all the videos so that you know what section is where and then we are going to provide you two copies of all the videos that were taken. We also went out to look at the addition to the Scalehouse in Mt. Olive, as well as the new resident drop-off area. We are preparing proposals for that work and we are also preparing a proposal for the re-surfacing of the tipping floor in Mt. Olive and to alter the Observation Deck to make pushing garbage a little bit easier and replacing the trench drains. All this will be ready for next month's meeting. He added that during their inspection of the Par-Troy Facility, the far left loading area, we noticed that one of the spoil repairs came loose, so we will be reaching out to Persistent on that issue.

Ms. Szwak mentioned that she was interested in the videos to see what the residential drop-off area looked like. Mr. Gindoff informed Laura that we are in the planning stages for the residential drop-off area. The drone footage is of the old drop-off area now.

Mr. Lemanowicz added that while they were there dealing with what the MUA wanted for the Mascaro Contract, we also did an overfly of the roof just to give the MUA an idea of the conditions of the utilities up on the roof.

Mr. Deacon provided the following highlights: (1) As far as tonnage goes, it continued steadily high for the month at both transfer stations; (2) There are a couple corrections to the report. Regarding the water holding tank at Mt. Olive, it is a 55,000 gallon tank not a 50,000 gallon tank. Just a note on the digital sign at Mt. Olive, the Mt. Olive Transfer Station now has power, and we are waiting for closure approval from the Township of Mt. Olive first and then we have some

corrections to the non-illuminated sign. The MCMUA logo colors were off and have to be corrected before final payment can be made. Mr. Gindoff mentioned but as of today the sign is flashing images. Another correction in the highlights is for the DLS Maintenance & Construction and the repairs to Mt. Olive Transfer Station office area mentioned. That project and potential resolution for the Board's consideration will be presented at the July meeting. ; (3) As far as the major repairs mentioned in the highlights, the scale project has been completed and the 4,000 gallon diesel fuel tank replacements at both stations should start at the end of this month. We did get a visit from T. R. Weniger to do two site visits at both stations.; and (4) The HHW Event went very well; 912 vehicles serviced. Reminder that our second event is Saturday, June 26, at the Academy.

Mr. Deacon asked for the Board's approval of the following three Resolutions related to the HHW Program:

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-51**  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EIGHTEEN (18) MONTH EXTENSION OF**  
**CONTRACT FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MCMUA HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS**  
**WASTE DROP OFF EVENT DAYS**  
**MXI ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") awarded a Contract for the Operation of the MCMUA Household Hazardous Waste Drop off Event Day to MXI Environmental Services, 26319 Old Trail Rd. Abingdon, VA 24210 ("CONTRACTOR"), for a term of one (1) year, with an option to extend the term of the contract, to be exercised at the discretion of the MCMUA, for one (1) eighteen (18) month additional period in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA desires to extend the term of the original contract for the one aforementioned eighteen (18) month period; and

**WHEREAS**, the amount for the eighteen (18) month extension shall not exceed the contract amount of \$150,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA Treasurer has certified that funds are available in line item 01-1-600-800-726 to pay the entire contract amount for the eighteen (18) month extension.

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

1. The MCMUA finds that the services of MXI Environmental Services are being performed in an effective and efficient manner.
2. The MCMUA authorizes the eighteen (18) month extension of the existing contract with MXI Environmental Services, for the Operation of the MCMUA Household Hazardous Drop Off Event Days.
3. The eighteen (18) month extension is not to exceed the contract amount of \$150,000.00
4. The original contract executed on July 1, 2020, between the MCMUA and MXI Environmental Services, shall remain legal and binding in all respects during the eighteen (18) month extension period.
5. A copy of this Resolution and applicable contract shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, 214A Center Grove Rd. Randolph, NJ 07869.
6. A copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the MCMUA Treasurer and MXI Environmental Services, 26319 Old Trail Rd. Abingdon, VA 24210.
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 June 8, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

**MOTION:** Mr. Hudzik made a Motion to authorize the 18 Month Extension Of Contract For The Operation Of The MCMUA’s Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Event Days for MXI Environmental Services and Mr. Barry seconded the Motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: 9                      NAYES: NONE                      ABSTENTIONS: NONE

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-52**  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EIGHTEEN (18) MONTH EXTENSION OF CONTRACT FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MCMUA HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMANENT FACILITY**  
**MXI ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (“MCMUA”) awarded a Contract for the Operation of the MCMUA Household Hazardous Waste Permanent Facility to MXI Environmental Services, 26319 Old Trail Rd. Abingdon, VA 24210 (“CONTRACTOR”), for a term of one (1) year, with an option to extend the term of the contract, to be exercised at the discretion of the MCMUA, for one (1) eighteen (18) month additional period in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA desires to extend the term of the original contract for the one aforementioned eighteen (18) month period; and

**WHEREAS**, the amount for the eighteen (18) month extension shall not exceed the contract amount of \$300,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA Treasurer has certified that funds are available in line item 01-1-600-800-726 to pay the entire contract amount for the eighteen (18) month extension.

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

1. The MCMUA finds that the services of MXI Environmental Services are being performed in an effective and efficient manner.
2. The MCMUA authorizes the eighteen (18) month extension of the existing contract with MXI Environmental Services, for the Operation of the MCMUA Household Hazardous Waste Permanent Facility.
3. The eighteen (18) month extension is not to exceed the contract amount of \$300,000.00.
4. The original contract executed on July 1, 2020, between the MCMUA and MXI Environmental Services, shall remain legal and binding in all respects during the eighteen (18) month extension period.

5. A copy of this Resolution and applicable contract shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, 214A Center Grove Rd. Randolph, NJ 07869.
6. A copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the MCMUA Treasurer and MXI Environmental Services, 26319 Old Trail Rd. Abingdon, VA 24210.
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 June 8, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

**MOTION:** Mr. Hudzik made a Motion to authorize the 18 Month Extension Of Contract For The Operation Of The MCMUA’s Household Hazardous Waste Permanent Facility for MXI Environmental Services and Ms. Szwak seconded the Motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: 9                      NAYES: NONE                      ABSTENTIONS: NONE

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-53**  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR EXTENSION OF CONTRACT FOR THE MARKETING OF RECYCLABLE MATERIAL - CONSUMER ELECTRONICS ELECTRONIC MANUFACTURERS RECYCLING MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLC**

**WHEREAS**, on August 8, 2017 the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (“MCMUA”) awarded a Contract for the Marketing of Recyclable Materials – Consumer Electronics (E-Waste) to Electronic Manufacturers Recycling Management Company, LLC, 5775 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 700, Minneapolis, MN 55416 (CONTRACTOR”), for a term of three (3) years, with an option to extend the term of the contract, to be exercised at the discretion of the MCMUA, for two (2) additional one (1) year periods in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA desires to extend the term of the original contract for the first aforementioned additional one (1) year period; and

**WHEREAS**, the amount for the first one (1) year extension shall not exceed the contract amount of \$15,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA Treasurer has certified that funds are available in line item 01-4-600-623-625 to pay the entire contract amount for the one (1) year extension.

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

1. The MCMUA finds that the services of Electronic Manufacturers Recycling Management Company, LLC are being performed in an effective and efficient manner.

2. The MCMUA authorizes the first one (1) year extension of the existing contract with Electronic Manufacturers Recycling Management Company, LLC, for the Marketing of Recyclable Materials – Consumer Electronics.
3. The first one (1) year extension is not to exceed the contract amount of \$15,000.00
4. The original contract executed on July 18, 2018, between the MCMUA and Electronic Manufacturers Recycling Management Company, LLC, shall remain legal and binding in all respects during the first one (1) year extension period.
5. A copy of this Resolution and applicable contract shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, 214A Center Grove Rd. Randolph, NJ 07869.
6. A copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the MCMUA Treasurer and Electronic Manufacturers Recycling Management Company, LLC, 5775 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 700, Minneapolis, MN 55416.
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 June 8, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

**MOTION:** Mr. Hudzik made a Motion Authorizing One Year Extension of Contract for the Marketing of Recyclable Material for Electronic Manufacturers Recycling Management Company, LLC and Mr. Guadagno seconded the Motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: 9                      NAYES: NONE                      ABSTENTIONS: NONE

(5) Suburban has been working with the paving Contractor for HHW. The paving project at the Parsippany location is well underway. He thanked Mike and the team for the support on that.:

(6) Some bad news on the Vegetative Waste section of the report, it was mentioned that the MUA was looking into a diesel retrofit for our 2008 Komatsu front-end loader under the DEP Clean Air Program. Unfortunately, the DEP ended the retrofit contract last year. They were not getting enough interest in the parties so that is no longer a thing.; (7) Last correction in highlights is the total vegetative waste deliveries for the month of May should be 204 and not 148 and we had a total of 59 credit card transactions related to deliveries this month and that seems to be working very well.

Ms. Szwak asked in your outbound vegetative waste marketing with NaturCycle, you list the number of projects that are different from the projects last month. Did the projects listed in the May report occur or are these additional ones? Mr. Deacon replied these are the ones that will be occurring soon. He mentioned that he lists the highlighted ones that we are going to be doing in the upcoming month. The ones listed last month should be done. Mr. Gindoff added that NaturCycle sells the material and deals with the markets themselves so the projects may

have additional material and work to do that we are not aware of, so we are a couple of steps removed from those projects.

## **SOLID, HAZARDOUS AND VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:**

### **TRANSFER STATIONS**

**Tonnage-** For the month of May 2021, the quantity of solid waste accepted at the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations was 37,132 tons. The 37,132 tons accepted in May 2021 was 17.34% more than the 31,644 tons accepted in May of 2020. While May 2021's tonnage was 17.34% more than that from May 2020 when the COVID-19 pandemic minimized solid waste generation, it is well below the 40,080 tons accepted in May of 2019, and may be signally a slow-down in waste generation. After five (5) months of 2021, it is being projected that the annual solid waste tonnage for 2021 will be 441,441 tons. This would represent a 5.89% increase over the 415,100 tons accepted in 2020. Please refer to the attached Transfer Station Disposal Report by Month for additional information.

**Site Improvements-** The MCMUA Water Division continues assisting with improvements at the Mount Olive transfer station well pit and the large 50,000 gallon sprinkler system water holding tank. The MCMUA Operations staff met with Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. (Suburban)

on May 27 for a complete inspection of this 50,000 gallon tank. Suburban inspected the tank for visible signs of failure and deterioration of metal surfaces, paint, coatings, linings, welds, bolted connections, hatches, manholes, ladders, railings and other appurtenances along the exterior and interior surfaces. A remotely operated underwater vehicle (ROV) was then used to inspect the interior of the tank. This inspection is required once every five (5) years as per the Morris County Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Fire Marshal.

J.P. Mascaro and Sons is still working on smaller repairs and punch-list items that were provided by the MCMUA Transfer Station Managers. These repairs are discussed during regularly scheduled Operations meetings via video conference that occur every other Monday morning with the Mascaro Managers. The total replacement of Door #5 on the small tipping floor at the Parsippany-Troy Hills transfer station is still pending materials from Durable Door. The MCMUA Transfer Station Managers met with contractor Delaware Valley Paving and the J.P. Mascaro Managers on May 14 to review paving and pothole repairs at both stations. The walkthrough also included potential improvements in faded line striping throughout the facilities.

MCMUA staff continues to work with Mr. Thomas Lemanowicz of Alaimo Engineering on the internal process of designing the small exempt vehicle drop-off area (SEVDOA) for use by self-generated residential customers at the Mount Olive transfer station. As a reminder to the Board, the use of the SEVDOA and the approval of flat fees will assist with wait times at the transfer station scale house, moving customers in and out quicker through the process. It also supports safety procedures at the facilities, keeping homeowners and smaller vehicles away from commercial vehicles and larger truck traffic. The MCMUA has already started the internal planning process with the Operations and Accounting staff. A scheduled meeting is set for Thursday, June 10 with Paradigm Software concerning the billing process and ideas on a self-use kiosk for the SEVDOA. Other potential projects that need Alaimo engineering oversight and planning are impending additions and construction to the Mount Olive scale house, and repairs to the main tipping floor, the related trench drain system, and alterations to the observation desk near the loading pits. The NJDEP, through a Permit modification, will be the ultimate reviewer in all of these improvement projects.

Alaimo Engineering completed a full facility inspection and condition review of both MCMUA transfer stations in Parsippany-Troy Hills and Mount Olive on Tuesday, May 11. Due to some lost drone footage, the facilities were again reviewed on Thursday, May 20. This review was meant to establish a base line condition of the MCMUA facilities at the start of the new five (5) year contract with J.P. Mascaro and Sons. Alaimo used a drone, an in-house pilot, and a Go-Pro camera to provide full coverage video documenting all of the current conditions. Results, pictures, and video footage from these inspections will be sent to the MCMUA when compiled electronically.

The MCMUA has prepared a resolution for consideration at the June 8 Board meeting for approving a vendor service contract on a non-fair and open basis (pay-to-play) for minor office improvements at the Mount Olive transfer station. The resolution approves DLS Maintenance and Construction, LLC to complete the replacement of all the transfer station office windows, new flooring, wall patching and repairs that occurred during the spray insulation project, and final painting of all the Mount Olive transfer station offices (4), conference room (1), bathrooms (2), and the main reception/lobby area.

**Major Repair Projects-** Above Ground Storage Tanks (AGST) Diesel Fuel- replacement of the 4000 gallon tanks and the pumps; Truck Scales- replacement of both the inbound and outbound scales at both MCMUA transfer stations. Both T.R. Weniger, Inc. and Atlantic Scale Company, Inc. were issued a Notice to Proceed letter by the MCMUA staff with a start date of March 31. This Notice gives both companies 120 calendar days to complete their respective projects, with a final date of July 19, 2021:

Atlantic Scale Company, Inc. has completed the install of the four (4) new Mettler Toledo model 75605D7010 heavy duty Digital Truckmate steel deck truck scales at the MCMUA Parsippany-Troy Hills and Mount Olive transfer stations. These scales measure 60' feet by 10' feet, with a total scale capacity of 200,000 pounds. Related to the proper functioning of these new scales, Atlantic Scale has also completed previously MCMUA Board approved Change Order #1 and Change Order #2, furnishing and burying four (4) different metal conduits that run from the scale to the scale house to safely protect the line running from the scale's load cells to the computer system read out. This includes both the inbound and outbound sides of the scale houses at both stations. Last, Atlantic Scale installed the four (4) new Mettler Toledo remote 4.7" inch electronic displays (scoreboards) on the outsides, of both sides, on both scale houses- inbound and outbound digital displays. These scoreboards satisfy a requirement from the New Jersey Office of Weights and Measures giving the customer the ability to view their weight(s) in real time. This major repair project is now complete and is working nicely for our MCMUA Weigh Masters.

T.R. Weniger, Inc. is scheduled to meet with the MCMUA Operations staff on Thursday, June 3 for a pre-construction meeting concerning the total replacement of the two (2) diesel fuel 4000 gallon above ground storage tanks (AGST) and their related pumping systems. The meeting will start in Parsippany-Troy Hills at 9:00AM, followed by a site visit to Mount Olive transfer station. T.R. Weniger, Inc. informed the MCMUA that the 4000 gallon AGST installation should be about two (2) to three (3) days total to complete for each transfer station. This includes cleaning and removing the old diesel fuel tanks, installing the new tanks, piping and electric install of the new pumps, and a factory training for all the onsite staff on their operations. The J.P. Mascaro and Sons Managers will be updated on the scheduled change out project since they will need to transfer the diesel fuel for their equipment into drums.

## **SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Included as correspondence for the Board, a letter dated May 17, 2021 from MCMUA to the Township Clerk in Jefferson regarding a Morris County Solid Waste Management Plan (Plan) administrative action (AA) request from Jefferson Recycling, LLC. Jefferson Recycling is a class B recycling facility on Route 15 North in Jefferson Township. The AA modification request is to add another source separated class B material within their permitted 700 tons per day (TPD) of incoming flows. Jefferson Recycling is requesting to accept tires which will be sorted, source separated, and put into either containers for sale at wholesale markets, or into trailers for off-site disposal. Jefferson Recycling will modify stockpile areas for unprocessed and processed concrete materials, and delete tub grinding of trees and the associated storage trailer to make room for this proposed process. All other NJDEP currently approved Plan inclusion information not mentioned in Jefferson Recycling's request will remain as unchanged. Prior to issuing such an AA request to NJDEP, the MCMUA first seeks the position of the host municipality of the Township of Jefferson on this matter, requesting them to adopt a formal resolution.

## **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) MANAGEMENT**

The first 2021 MCMUA HHW one-day drop-off event occurred on Saturday, May 22 at the Morris County Public Safety Academy (MCPSTA) located at 500 West Hanover Avenue in Parsippany.



This event serviced 912 customers (vehicles) and went very smoothly and efficiently with no off-site lines. The MCMUA HHW one-day event trailer is again stocked and ready for the second 2021 HHW one-day drop-off event scheduled for Saturday, June 26 at the MCPSTA. A County Press Release was again sent out as a reminder and notice to Morris County residents that want to safely dispose of their unwanted household chemicals. The last two (2) fall 2021 events will occur on Saturday, September 25, 2021 at the MCPSTA and Saturday, October 23, 2021 at Chatham High School, 255 Lafayette Avenue in Chatham Township.

Three (3) resolutions concerning the MCMUA HHW program have been prepared for Board consideration at the June 8 meeting. Two (2) resolutions are for contract extensions for the two (2) contracts with MXI Environmental Services, LLC (MXI); one (1) for the operation of the MCMUA HHW permanent facility and the other for the operation of the MCMUA's one-day drop-off events.

The third resolution is for the first extension for the marketing of recycling of consumer electronics (e-waste) contract with Electronic Manufacturers Recycling Management (MRM) Company, LLC. MCMUA staff has been very pleased with the service provide by both MXI and MRM and recommends authorization of these contract extensions.

**Program Participation-** In May 2021, the permanent household hazardous waste facility (HHWF) located at the MCMUA Mount Olive transfer station had a total of 272 serviced appointments. Every available appointment is still scheduled on Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday mornings. 252 Morris County residents, 3 VSQG/small businesses, and 17 out-of-County residents came up to the HHW facility during the month of May. MCMUA's 2021 totals now equal 1,177 serviced appointments, 1,083 of those appointments being Morris County residents. The HHW facility staff now processes credit cards with Heartland Mobile Pay as a new form of payment. The HHW facility still accepts cash and/or check(s) as alternate forms of payment.

**Site Improvements-** The MCMUA Operations staff continues to coordinate with Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. (Suburban) and contractor D&L Paving on the milling, paving, and line striping of the HHW facility within the Mount Olive transfer station. The anticipated completion of this improvement project should only be two (2) to three (3) days maximum. Both Suburban and D&L Paving will work with the MCMUA to schedule on days not to interrupt servicing HHW customers when the facility is open.

## **VEGETATIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT**

Through the inter-governmental shared services agreement with Parsippany-Troy Hills Township Department of Parks and Forestry, the MCMUA has scheduled its annual rental of a horizontal grinder for the Mount Olive Vegetative Waste facility. Due to the large amounts of wood/tree parts that need to be processed at Camp Pulaski, the MCMUA will be renting the grinder for two (2) full weeks starting on Monday, June 14. As mentioned at previous Board meetings, the two (2) new 2021 Volvo L110H wheel loaders purchased for the Parsippany facility are slated to arrive in the fall of 2021. The MCMUA staff is currently working with the NJDEP Division of Air Quality, Bureau of Mobile Source for reimbursement based on the decommissioning of the two (2) older Volvo loaders. Through the New Jersey Equipment Modernization Program, the MCMUA will be receiving 30% reimbursement on the replacement equipment which will total \$150,923.40. Final paperwork was signed by the MCMUA and submitted to the NJDEP for final approval. The MCMUA will hope to use the same NJDEP program in the future when looking for possible replacements of the 1999 and 2001 Scarab windrow turners and the 1997 Toro 4000 Pro tub grinder. In addition, the MCMUA is also looking into available NJDEP funds for diesel retrofits to older equipment, which would include the 2008 Komatsu front-end wheel loader at the Parsippany Vegetative Facility. This front-end wheel loader is being kept in service by the MCMUA and will act as a back-up/spare for both vegetative waste facilities. The NJDEP's Clean Construction Program would be 100% reimbursement of the cost and installation of this retrofit if the heavy equipment was found to be a suitable candidate.

**Residential Vegetative Waste Deliveries -** The MCMUA 2021 residential delivery services of double-ground wood mulch and screened compost continued during the month of May with 148 total deliveries. The backup trucking service contract with Kirk Allen Trucking Services, LLC. also continued throughout the month of May into the beginning of June 2021. A notable delivery included a large 320-cubic yards (CY) of wood mulch being supplied to the Woodcrest Townhouse complex in Morris Township on June 2 through June 4. The delivery program has begun to slow down with the MCMUA getting close to selling out its stockpile of screened

compost at both facilities. The MCMUA continued accepting credit cards as a form of payment for these materials through Heartland. May 2021 had a total of 59 credit card transactions received for the month. Staff continues to contact all customers to schedule, coordinate, and confirm their deliveries.

**Parsippany Facility Improvement Project-** The milling and paving/ entrance improvement project at the MCMUA Parsippany Vegetative Waste facility behind the Morris County Public Safety Training Academy (MCPSTA) is well underway. Contractor, Black Rock Enterprises, LLC, as started preparation work at the facility during the last week in May/ first week in June which includes, but is not limited to, excavation of the road shoulder(s), repairing catch basins and outfalls, rip-raping swales, repairing the retainage wall at the loading ramp area, and laying down subbase for final paving. Project oversight is provided by Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. (Suburban). Both Suburban and Black Rock are looking to close the Parsippany Vegetative Waste facility from Monday, June 21 to Wednesday, June 23 to complete the final mill and pave of the entire entrance roadway. This gives the MCMUA plenty of prior notice to let customers and Municipalities know that the site will be closed to heavy truck traffic during this time period.

**Outbound Vegetative Materials Marketing-** The MCMUA staff had a conference call with Naturcycle to discuss the upcoming 2021 compost screening at both MCMUA facilities. Emerald Equipment, a NH 6020 trommel, was the approved screener equipment for a rental time of four (4) weeks total. This includes two (2) weeks' time at each site, starting in Mount Olive with a scheduled arrival date of July 19. Two (2) weeks at Mount Olive followed by two (2) weeks at Parsippany with anticipated completion date of Friday, August 13. Other topics discussed with Naturcycle included the OMRI Listing for Mount Olive/Camp Pulaski. The pre-review of the OMRI application is now complete. Now the compliance stage must be completed before final approval. The results of the compliance testing from Rutgers Soil Testing Laboratory was also received for the unscreened compost from the MCMUA Mount Olive Vegetative Waste facility. Some upcoming MCMUA/Naturcycle joint projects that were discussed include:

- Gansevoort Peninsula, Hudson River Park, Manhattan, New York. Approximately 500 cubic yards (CY) of screened compost for an at-grade soil blend, expected to begin in August 2021.
- Approximately 25 CY of screened compost from the Parsippany facility for a green roof project in Manhattan, New York.
- Approximately 20 CY of screened compost from the Parsippany facility for a planting mix in Yonkers, New York.

Regarding this marketing of recyclable materials contract with Naturcycle, MCMUA staff will be preparing a resolution for consideration likely at the July 13 Board meeting, authoring a contract renewal with Naturcycle.

### **RECYCLING REPORT:**

Ms. Sweedy reported the following: (1) The April Republic statement was finalized in the amount of \$16,515.43. The per ton rate for single stream was -\$11.42 for April and the preliminary rate for single stream for the month of May is -\$3.29 per ton, a difference of \$8.13 less than the rate for April. Paper prices remain strong in May, possibly showing a sign of peak demand for paper. Container pricing for plastics and aluminum both continued the recent rising trend corresponding with increasing costs of oil and energy and PET plastic had the biggest impact on pricing.; (2) May was a busy month for all of us. We had our Municipal Recycling Coordinators' Meeting. Inspections continue and education with multi-family complexes and our "Keep Morris County Litter Free" Clean-ups at Schools had a really good turn-out for the month of May; (3) We also participated in the Memorial Day Parade in Morris Plains which was great. Staff was also busy with preparations for the Whippany River Watershed Action Committee Bio-Blitz, which is to take place on Saturday, June 12 at Lewis Morris Park from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Ms. Sweedy asked for the Board's approval of the following Resolutions:

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-54**  
**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 \$85,012.06; 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 June 8, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Marilyn Regner, Secretary

**MOTION:** Mr. Barry made a Motion Authorizing the Renewal of the Use Agreement With The Department Of Military & Veteran Affairs and Mr. Guadagno seconded the Motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: 9      NAYES: NONE      ABSTENTIONS: NONE

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-55**  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR**  
**TRANSPORTING AND MARKETING RECYCLABLE MATERIALS BETWEEN THE**  
**MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND WASHINGTON**  
**TOWNSHIP COMMENCING ON OR ABOUT JULY 1, 2021**

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Township of Washington has adopted and enforces a mandatory source separation ordinance for Recyclable Materials; and

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (“MCMUA”) desires to assist municipalities in meeting their recycling goals pursuant to the Act by providing transportation services and providing markets for disposition of Recyclable Materials; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 40:14B-20(14), the MCMUA may enter into contracts with municipalities for the provision of recycling services; and

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

WHEREAS, uniform shared services agreements are exempt from the bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA and the Township of Washington desires to execute a new one (1) year agreement for Transportation and Marketing of Recyclable Materials commencing on July 1, 2021 and ending on June 30, 2022.

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

1. The Executive Director of the MCMUA is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement entitled “Agreement for Transporting and Marketing Recyclable Materials between the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority and Washington Township commencing on or about July 1, 2021.” See attached Exhibit 1.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2) of the Local Public Contracts Law.
3. The Authority’s staff and consultants are hereby authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
4. This Resolution shall take effect 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 June 8, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Marilyn Regner, Secretary

**MOTION:** Mr. Guadagno made a Motion Authorizing the Execution Of An Agreement For Transporting and Marketing Of Recyclable Materials Between The MCMUA and Washington Township Commencing On Or About July 1, 2021 and Mr. Hudzik seconded the Motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: 9      NAYES: NONE      ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Mr. Druetzler mentioned that the participation by the MUA in the Memorial Day Parade was very impressive. He thanked the MUA on behalf of the community and hopes that the MUA will be there next year. Ms. Sweedy thanked Frank and commented that we really enjoyed it and we were very pleasantly surprised with the number of residents that were out there in the rain and they were cheering us all on. It was very impressive as far as your turnout. She thanked him for having us.

Mr. Gindoff thanked Liz for all her help on the Bio-Blitz that just in the planning of this for the last six months with the Whippany River Watershed Action Committee, it was a lot of uncertainty how significant this event could be in the middle of the pandemic and the MUA was the foundation of it that this Bio-Blitz was built upon. Thanks to Liz and Staff for helping me. Hopefully, we should have good weather and we should have an excellent first Morris County Bio-Blitz.

(Mr. Guadagno left the meeting at 7:40 p.m.)

Ms. Szwak asked how many municipalities have applied for Recycling Coach? Is that something they apply for or do people just do it as a State website? Ms. Sweedy replied that each municipality has to sign up with Recycle Coach and they have to set up all the information in connection with that municipality. Each municipality has to designate an Administrator for Recycle Coach and that person controls what information gets put on or changed on Recycle Coach. She informed Laura that the list of municipalities are on the website. Ms. Sweedy also mentioned that Recycle Coach is a free program to municipalities in New Jersey funded by NJDEP and some residents really love it.

## **RECYCLING REPORT**

**Tonnage and Value** – The April 2021 Republic statement was finalized in the amount of **(\$16,515.43)**. The per ton rate for single-stream was **(\$11.42)**, a difference of \$12.59 below the rate **(\$24.01)** paid in March 2021. The May statement and tonnages by material and municipality has not been received as of the writing of this report.

### **Curbside Contract Proposals & Resolutions**

The MCMUA has a lease with the NJ National Guard for the Dover Armory from where the Curbside Recycling Department is staged. This lease is currently scheduled for annual renewal and a resolution will be placed before the Board for its consideration authorizing a one-year renewal of the Armory lease at the June meeting.

On 5/4/2021, staff provided Roger Read, Washington Township Municipal Recycling Coordinator, a shared services agreement for depot hauling services of recyclables from 7/1/21 to 6/30/22. The agreement was accepted by Washington Township and the resolution will be presented for Board consideration and approval at the June 8, Board meeting.

On 5/14/21, the auction was completed with the following results:

- MUA 1-10, 2001 International Compactor Truck, sold for \$5,200 (listed at \$5,000)
- MUA 1-11, 2001 International Compactor Truck, sold for \$5,000 (listed at \$5,000)
- 2008 RP200-Rudco Stationary Compactor with 40 yard box, sold for \$6,900 (listed for \$2,000)
- Lockers 11 sets (bank of 3 each), sold for \$100 (listed at \$100)

Staff is waiting for finalization of two of the four transactions (Rudco Stationary Compactor and 11 sets of lockers).

### **Recycling Education and Inspections**

On 5/3/21, staff attended a virtual Veolia training that focused on handling and responding to hazardous waste in the work place including spills. This training was designed to teach staff how to be safe while handling hazardous materials. Currently, two recycling staff members work at the permanent HHW facility on a regular basis.

### **MCMUA Municipal Recycling Coordinator Meeting**

On 5/5/21, The MCMUA held a virtual Municipal Recycling Coordinators (MRC) meeting via WebEx. Guest speakers: Bradi Montozzi, NJDEP Bureau of Solid Waste Permitting – Debris

Management Unit; Joshua Alzona, Customer Success Manager at Recycle Coach; and Kellie Ann Keyes, Roxbury Municipal Recycling Coordinator. Certified Recycling Professionals earned one classroom credit and .5 meeting credits for attendance. A recording of the virtual meeting is available on the MCMUA's website: <https://www.youtube.com/embed/7a1frbjSuXk>

The agenda included the following:

**Bradi Montozzi, NJDEP Bureau of Solid Waste Permitting – Debris Management Unit,** gave a presentation on Temporary Debris Management Areas (TDMA). She discussed the need for municipalities to apply for TDMA's before an emergency occurs, the requirements for these locations and benefits of having a TDMA. The TDMA form and instructions are available at [WWW.GOV/DEP/DSHW/DEBRIS/TDMA,HTML](http://WWW.GOV/DEP/DSHW/DEBRIS/TDMA,HTML)

**Joshua Alzona, Customer Success Manager at Recycle Coach,** spoke about the Recycle Coach application and its value for municipalities regarding informing residents about the proper management of waste and Recycle Coach's commitment towards stopping contamination in curbside recycling. The application is designed to educate residents about proper recycling, and provides reminders for recycling and trash collections. Recycle Coach provides information about important current issues such proper disposal of Lithium Ion batteries. Recycle Coach is funded through NJDEP at no cost to municipalities.

**Liz Sweedy, of the MCMUA** thanked all the MRCs for submitting their 2020 MTG applications to the NJDEP on time and reminded them they may resubmit an updated recycling tonnage report up until June 15, 2021. In addition, she also talked about the Municipal Tonnage Grant requirement for all municipal recycling coordinators to tour a Class A facility during 2021. Due to the pandemic, Republic Services (ReCommunity) is not offering tours. Although she broached this subject with Erin Jensen at NJDEP, Erin stated that the NJDEP has not made a determination as to waiving this requirement and plans to make a decision in the next couple of months.

Liz also reminded municipal recycling coordinators about the list of requirements for Municipal Recycling Coordinators that are mandated by the Morris County Solid Waste Management Plan. The requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Designate a municipal recycling coordinator if vacant Section 9.1;
- Designate a municipal recycling enforcement coordinator if vacant – Section 8.6;
- Complete a minimum of three recycling investigations (inspections) per year – Section 8.6.

Liz said the MCMUA would discuss these requirements at future Municipal Recycling Coordinators meetings. It is understandable if Municipal Recycling Coordinators are not conducting inspections during the pandemic.

**Chris Vidal, of the MCMUA** further elaborated on the requirements for Municipal Recycling Coordinators stated in the MC Solid Waste Management Plan. She also provided a brief overview of the recycling notifications required to be sent to generators (residents, businesses and institutions), of local recycling opportunities and the source separation requirements of the ordinance. She reminded MRCs to send a copy of their notifications to the MCMUA.

Chris talked about two investigations (recycling inspections), one in East Hanover with Joelle Frank, East Hanover Assistant Municipal Recycling Coordinator and the other in Roxbury Township with Kellie Ann Keyes. The two inspections were successfully executed and the generators were provided with recycling requirements and information. Kellie Ann Keyes was asked to speak about her experience with recycling inspections.

**Kellie Ann Keyes, Roxbury Township MRC,** shared her experiences with recycling business inspections:

- Business inspections are important for both small and large generators; it shows local businesses that the municipal recycling coordinator is actively enforcing recycling requirements.
- The goal of the inspections is to introduce yourself and educate the businesses about correct recycling procedures. Provide a copy of the municipal recycling ordinance and

finest for non-compliance and the list of Mandated Recyclables (from the MC Solid Waste Management Plan). If a recycling program is not in place, provide instructions on how to start one.

- Bring recycling decals, educational literature, your business card and municipal recycling ordinance.

Kellie Ann enjoys doing inspections because they establish good relationships, increase proper recycling procedures, which results in increased tonnage and she always learns something new. In closing, Liz Sweedy provided a brief introduction to the MCMUA's new campaign "No Plastic Bags," in curbside recycling. This will begin latter in the year and the MCMUA will work diligently in partnership with our curbside municipalities to keep plastic bags/film out of the recycling stream.

On 5/6/2021, staff attended the virtual WasteWise meeting. Speakers were:

- JoAnn Gemenden, NJ Clean Communities, NJ Upcoming Ban of single use bags
- Emily Tipaldo, US Plastics Pact, Rethinking the Way We Design, Use and Reuse Plastics
- Tim Debus, Reusable Packaging Assoc., Environmental and Economic Benefits of Reusable Transport Packaging
- Angie Morales, Merck, Award Winning Waste Reduction & Recycling Initiatives

On 5/7/21, staff had a meeting (via phone) with Wendy Graham, Heritage Greene Condominium Association President, in Chatham Township. Wendy would like to improve recycling at this complex (222 units). She is concerned that residents are not following recycling guidelines and would like to bring attention to the most prevalent problems that must be addressed in the spring newsletter. On 5/17/21, staff provided written answers to the interview questions asked by Wendy. The newsletter will feature the questions and answers about recycling right and encourage residents to do a better job with recycling overall! Information about proper disposal of Lithium batteries was also included.

On 5/10/2021, staff conducted inspections as part of an education campaign, in Long Hill Township. Staff checked recycling setouts in response to the town's complaints. It was important to get a better understanding of the issues at hand. Staff kept in contact with Al Gallo, Municipal Recycling Coordinator during this process and provided Al with the list of information that was gathered during the inspections. Staff also spoke with residents and explained that unacceptable materials, like plastic bags, foam, plastic hangers, paper plates and other contaminants are not permitted in the recycling stream. The residents were surprised and told staff that the prior collection company took "everything" that was set out for recycling collection. This inspection and educational campaign was well-received by Long Hill Township residents and Al Gallo was very pleased and reported that the Township did not receive any complaints after the collection on 5/10/21. Staff also provided Al Gallo with the full list (January through April) of complaints and late setouts so Al is aware of the types of problems that have transpired. Residents often find it difficult to embrace new rules and requirements.

On 5/10/2021, staff spoke with Mine Hill Township Mayor Sam Morris. He was concerned because residents were unhappy about the MUA's services. Due to call outs (both MUA drivers and laborers), the trucks did not begin curbside recycling collection until late in the afternoon on May 10 in Mine Hill Township. The Mayor received negative feedback from social media. Staff apologized and advised that collection in Mine Hill would commence first thing in the morning on the next scheduled collection day. The collection on 5/24/21 went smoothly.

On 5/12/2021, staff received transfer station recycling reports dated 4/19/2021 for Home Sense, Parsippany (OCC) and 4/29/21 for ShopRite of Wharton, (Plastics 1 & 2). Information was forwarded to the municipal recycling coordinators.

On 5/13/21, Alex McNulty completed the last class of the Recycling Certification Series (Rutgers Continuing Education) and submitted all of the required assignments. On 6/1/21, Alex received confirmation that she has successfully completed the program and is now a Certified Recycling Professional. We congratulate Alex on a job well done!

On 5/17/21, staff conducted inspections at the Stirling Manor complex, Chestnut Run complex, Centennial Village Condominiums, and Long Hill Senior Center in Long Hill Township. The unacceptable items that were found included plastic bags/film, scrap metal, plastic containers

from automotive fluid and large rolls of carpet foam. The property managers from each complex were provided with inspection details and photos. Al Gallo, Long Hill Township Municipal Recycling Coordinator, was also provided with this information.

On 5/18/21, staff attended the County Recycling Coordinators (CRC) meeting hosted by ANJR. Erin Jensen of NJDEP was on hand to talk about several topics:

#### Annual Tonnage Reports

- County Recycling Coordinators (CRCs) asked Erin if NJDEP would be able to be more involved in obtaining tonnage reports from vendors and transporters, and put them in a drop box or email them to CRCs. Currently the NJDEP provides the reports from some of the big box stores such as Walmart, Target and a few others. Many County and Municipal recycling coordinators invest a lot of time chasing after tonnage reports every year.
- CRCs also asked Erin about the band rates (payouts by material by NJDEP). They stressed the need to keep residential tonnage at the forefront. Currently, most municipalities are struggling because they are paying to recycle. Although food waste (new requirements passed for large quantity generators) is one material that must be taken into consideration, residential recyclables (materials #1 through #8) should receive the highest payouts so that municipal recycling programs get the support they need.
- County Recycling Coordinators also stated that a lot of time is spent annually signing Municipal Tonnage Grant reports because the municipal recycling coordinators are not certified. Currently Rutgers offers the certification series once every year. The class is limited and has a waiting list. It was suggested, that Rutgers add additional opportunities, or offer the certification series at other colleges, etc. This would allow new coordinators to enroll in classes and become certified in a more efficient manner.

#### Clean Air Council

- Allen Weston talked about the Clean Air Council and his recent activities in South Jersey that involved research at solid waste and recycling facilities (both private and government) with regard to moving piles of trash/materials creating unacceptable levels of dust. These activities affect air quality and many are located in underserved communities.

#### Battery Flyers & Information

- ANJR is working directly with Call2Recycle to create uniform statewide ads and flyer about batteries. It is important that the information be consistent and easy to understand.

ANJR Board member Creighton Hooper (of Recycle Coach), talked about membership and the need to get more Municipal Recycling Coordinators involved and signed up as members of ANJR!

#### **Miscellaneous Presentations/Meetings/Conference Calls/Correspondence**

On 5/1/2021, staff volunteered at the Whippany River Watershed Action Committee/Bethel Church of Morristown cleanup along Spring Street, Morristown.

On 5/5/2021, staff attended a virtual WRWAC meeting presentation “The Joy of Backyard Bird Feeding” by Jim Walker of Wild Birds Unlimited.

On 5/11/2021, staff attended the ANJR Planning Committee Meeting.

On 5/27/21, staff attended a virtual planning meeting for the WRWAC BioBlitz planning committee. The committee discussed finalizing the schedule and site map for the day of the event, parking and signage.

On 5/29/21, staff participated in the Morris Plains Memorial Day parade. Two compactor trucks, a mini-packer and pickup truck sported “**No Plastic Bags**” signage as the MCMUA begins efforts to prevent plastic bags/film from the recycling stream. MCMUA trucks were decorated with American flags and Executive Director Larry Gindoff, along with Penny Jones (retired MCMUA employee and Morris Plains resident) proudly carried the MCMUA banner. The rain did not diminish the enthusiasm that was present on the parade route!

#### **Clean Communities**

##### **Keep Morris County Litter Free Grant Program for Schools**

During the month of May, six litter cleanups were conducted at the following schools:



- Briarcliff Middle School, Mountain Lakes Borough
- Arrow Academy, Hanover Township
- Mountain View School, Mendham Borough
- Red Oaks School, Morristown
- Craig High School, Montville Township
- White Rock Elementary School, Jefferson Township

Collectively, 497 students cleaned 17 acres of land, and collected and removed 45 bags of litter during the month of May! Last year due to the pandemic, there were no school litter cleanups conducted.

On 5/7/21, staff along with two AmeriCorps Watershed Ambassadors conducted a litter cleanup on Righter Road in Randolph & Roxbury Township at the Almatong wellfield property. Brian Pinke and Cameron McKenzie, the local watershed ambassadors, helped to remove nine bags of litter, three cans of latex paint, and one tire from the roadside and the open field. The ambassadors will follow the cleanup with a stream assessment to assess the health of the Lamington Brook tributary running through the open space property.

**Road Clean-ups:** The MCMUA hired Adopt-a-Highway Litter Removal Service of America to conduct three litter cleanups in May. The cleanups took place in Parsippany Troy Hills Township, Hanover Township, Mt. Olive Township, and Jefferson Township:

- On 5/4/21, Edwards Road, New Road, Ridgedale Avenue and the East and West bound ramps for Route 280 were cleaned, a total 5.4 linear miles. 51 bags of trash, 22 bags of recyclables and 11 illegally dumped contractor bags of dry wall removed!
- On 5/20/21, Gold Mine Road, Link Road, International Drive, Flanders-Netcong Road were cleaned, a total of 5 linear miles. 14 bags of trash and 10 bags of recyclables removed.
- On 5/25/21, Edison Road and Espanong Road were cleaned, a total of 5 linear miles. 16 bags of trash and 12 bags of recyclables removed.

### **Clean Communities Educational Programs**

Morris County Clean Communities sponsored the Grand Falloons at three schools in the Town of Dover: Academy Street School, North Dover Elementary School, and East Dover Elementary School. The virtual platform, (a variety of three virtual programs) provided teachers the option to show the offerings as many times as they like for a one-month period.

### **NJ Clean Communities Conference/Seminar**

On 5/27/21, staff attended the NJ Clean Communities virtual seminar (conference). Due to the pandemic, the conference was canceled last year. JoAnn Gemenden, the new Executive Director of the Clean Communities Council welcomed attendees. The Bag Ban Legislation was the focus of the seminar. On November 4, 2020, Governor Phillip Murphy and the New Jersey Legislature enacted the most progressive bag ban law in the country, which will become effective in May of 2022. The law prevents litter and encourages the use of reusable bags by phasing out single-use plastic and paper bags. JoAnn introduced the panel of speakers, which included the following:

Bag ban rollout and business resources

- Melanie Willoughby & Janet Robertson of the NJ Business Action Center
- Erin Jensen, NJDEP
- Vickie Clark, Cape May Chamber Executive Director

The role of government and business – partnerships in rolling out bag ban requirements

- Nandini Checko, ANJEC
- Anthony Russo, Commerce and Industry Association
- Frank Marshall, Associate General Counsel, NJLM

Been there done that! - Food Council overview of success stories and lessons learned

- Linda Doherty, NJ Food Council
- Jeanne Eichinger, Wawa
- Charles Malaniak, Wakefern

NJDEP Commissioner Shawn LaTourette announced the 2021 Clean Communities Grants during the Clean Communities virtual conference seminar. **The 2021 Clean Communities Grant amount for Morris County is \$ 97,180.80.**

The seminar was very informative and provided good resources. The NJ Clean Communities Council will be directly involved with promoting bag ban initiatives and will provide additional information as the program develops over the next 11 months. Clean Communities coordinators are encouraged to purchase and distribute reusable shopping bags with the new logo, “BAG UP NJ.” The purchase of the reusable bags is to be financed by Clean Communities Grant funds. Commissioner LaTourette was also featured in a PSA regarding the use of reusable bags during the seminar.



Morris County Clean Communities coordinators were provided with the information about their 2021 Clean Communities allotments on 5/27/21. Please see the link to view this information: <https://njclean.org/images/grants/CC-FY21-Distribution-Muni.pdf>

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Gindoff mentioned that he is still working with the Open Space Committee to finalize the draft.

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

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Ms. Szwak reported that she attended the Morris County Open Space Committee Meeting. It was to hear two diversions from two different towns on diverting open space for other than open space reasons. One was Harding Township, which was a diversion of four acres on a nine acre site. They purchased an Estate at the intersection of Mt. Kemble Avenue and Route 202. The building is crumbling and they really want to get it in private ownership, so they want to be able to not have the restrictions of open space on there. Because County Open Space money was used to purchase that property, the Committee is asked to hear the case and make recommendations. Then the Committee recommended that that diversion take place. It should be a win-win for everyone. Our replacing the diverted open space which is about five acres with something like 20 acres and those 20 acres will add property along the Passaic River. It really is a win-win and the town just frankly admits it cannot keep up that historic building. They will put a proper historic easement on the building, so it will be preserved. The Committee voted that diversion was okay. The second one was Parsippany-Troy Hills. They wanted to divert a .03 acres on a 14 acre open space tract because one of their wells (Parsippany Water Department) was failing and they need to find another place. Apparently, to divert property, you can either replace it with other open space like Harding or you can pay. Their payment was going to be like \$11,000. The Committee did not vote at this time, as there were a lot of questions.

Mr. Carney commented that he finds it interesting about Harding Township because our firm used to represent Harding Township and that historic building and that entire issue that you just described, he feels like that was ten years ago when that first came up. It is just something from the past and interesting how it is turning out.

Mr. Druetzler asked when will we be to have live Board Meetings and Mr. Gindoff replied starting in July.

There being no further 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:**

There being no Closed Session, this portion of the meeting was closed.

There being no further business, Chairman Dour asked for a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

**MOTION:** Mr. Hudzik made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m., seconded by Mr. Feyl and carried unanimously.

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Marilyn Regner  
Secretary

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