

## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority was held on September 7, 2021 at 7:02 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 in person at the MCMUA Office and 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, September 7, 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. Frank Druetzler, Mr. Gene Feyl, Mr. Michael Guadagno, Dr. Dorothea Kominos, and Mr. Christopher Dour.

Mr. James Barry entered the meeting at 7:10 p.m.  
Mr. William Hudzik entered the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

**ABSENT:** Dr. Arthur Nusbaum and Ms. Laura Szwak.

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 August 10, 2021.

**MOTION:** Mr. Druetzler made a Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 10, 2021 and Dr. Kominos seconded the Motion.

**ROLL CALL:** AYES: 4      NAYES: NONE      ABSTENTIONS: MR. DOUR

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

Mr. Kaletcher presented the Treasurer's Report for the Solid Waste Operating and Water Operating for the month of August 2021. Also included are the Comparative Balance Reports for both Solid Waste and Water Divisions through the month of August 2021. The Investment Report for August shows a Certificate of Deposit with First Bank maturing on August 11, 2021. This CD was earning 6.5%. The CD has been rolled over into a money market earning .25%. The

forecasted interest over a twelve month period will be \$11, 653.00. First Bank is a governmental depository listed on the MCMUA's Cash Management Plan.

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

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

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

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

**BILL RESOLUTION NO. 21-71**

**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. 21-71 containing 7 pages for a total of \$ **3,485,881.77** dated and made a part hereof by reference.

**SUMMARY**

**CHECK NUMBERS**

WATER OPERATING FUNDS	5618-5650	\$	166,814.63
SOLID WASTE OPERATING	12413-12480	\$	3,319,067.14
		\$	<b>3,485,881.77</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: September 7, 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: September 7, 2021.

DATE: September 7, 2021

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Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer

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

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

(Mr. James Barry entered the meeting at 7:10 p.m.)

Mr. Kaletcher mentioned that the MCMUA is initiating 2022 budget discussions this month and anticipating introducing the 2022 budget at the October Board Meeting. Prior to this, he would like to schedule a meeting with the Budget Committee (Frank Druetzler, Christopher Dour and William Hudzik) for their insight and input. He requested the following meeting dates to be blocked off: Wednesday, September 29, Thursday, September 30 and Friday, October 1. He will send out an email to figure out a mutually available date. Mr. Druetzler asked what time would the meeting be and Mr. Kaletcher replied 6:00/6:30 p.m.

Mr. Druetzler asked who signs the vouchers and Mr. Gindoff replied a combination of many of us, namely, Larry Gindoff, Larry Kaletcher and each individual staff member who approves the payment before it is actually comes to the Board, initials it. It is actually signed by three people. Mr. Guadagno asked if commissioners sign and Mr. Gindoff replied no; you give us the authorization to approve the vouchers.

Mr. Gindoff mentioned that we are going to try to coordinate some site tours for the Budget Members so you can see the sites and some of the things that we will be discussing. We will reach out to everyone to make that work prior to the Budget Committee Meeting.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mr. Gindoff mentioned the correspondence, sent in the mail. Regarding the letter from J.P. Mascaro using third-party haulers to help supplement their movement of trash, that will be the subject of a resolution that will be discussed during the Solid Waste Coordinator's Report. We also did receive an additional piece of correspondence, which was Resolution 21-223 from the Township of Jefferson regarding their consenting to the adding of the tire processing process at the Jefferson Recycling Facility. An Administrative Action to modify the Solid Waste Management Plan is requested and we first go before the Town seeking their position on any change and with their consent, James Deacon will draft a letter to DEP, saying that we approve the modification of the Plan. We will also forward a copy of their resolution so that DEP could address the site plan issue that is raised in the resolution if they think it is warranted.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **SOLID WASTE**

1. Letter dated August 12, 2021 to Aaron Blum, Chief Compliance Officer, Electronic Recyclers International, Inc., copied to Larry Gindoff and James Deacon, from Karen Kloo, Chief, Bureau of Recycling & Hazardous Waste Management, NJDEP, regarding Modification of Class D Recycling Center General Approval for Electronic Recyclers International, Inc. in Lincoln Park.
2. Letter dated August 19, 2021 from Anthony Fontana, NJDEP Permitting to James Deacon providing notice of Technical Completeness with respect to the Solid Waste Permit Renewal submission for the Mt. Olive Transfer Station.
3. Letter dated August 25, 2021 from William F. Fox, Jr. Esq. Counsel for J.P. Mascaro to Larry Gindoff regarding request to utilize 3<sup>rd</sup>-party haulers to transport waste from the transfer stations to the landfill.

#### **OPEN SPACE**

4. Memorandum dated August 17, 2021 to Barbara Murray, Planning & Development, from Marilyn Regner forwarding a copy of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Open Space Acquisition And Stewardship Plan adopted at the MCMUA Board Meeting of August 10, 2021, as well as a copy of certified Resolution No. 21-70, accepting and approving the Plan.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

Mr. McAloon reported on the following: (1) Water sales maintain strong in August; not on pace with our record setting 2020, but still above 2019.; (2) Water system operations were maintained throughout the recent hurricane. There were some minor power surges that temporarily interrupted the electrical service, but MUA Operating personnel were able to quickly restore power, as well as maintain functions of the water system throughout the whole duration of the storm. We are very fortunate that we did not experience a significant volume and rainfall totals that some other areas did. He reassured the Board that our emergency generators are inspected and operated on load on a quarterly basis. Tony Milonas does a really good job of making sure that he has back-up power.; (3) Hilt Construction did complete the work; however, they are working on scheduling the Final Plumbing Inspection.; (4) He is prepared to present to the Board Resolution No. 21-72 to close out Contract C for the Parsippany Compost Facility. The Contractor has furnished the necessary close-out documents and satisfied the terms of the Contract, and therefore, we are accepting the work, as well as recommending Final Payment and Release Of Retainage.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-72  
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE WORK  
PERFORMED FOR CONTRACT 2021-MCMUA01 PAVING, PAVING  
IMPROVEMENTS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS, CONTRACT C AND AUTHORIZING  
FINAL PAYMENT AND RELEASE OF RETAINAGE**

**WHEREAS**, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") and Black Rock Enterprises, LLC, 1316 Englishtown Road, Old Bridge, NJ 08857 ("BRE") entered into an agreement on April 5, 2021 to perform Paving Improvements at Various locations, specifically the MCMUA's Parsippany Compost Facility 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**, BRE has successfully completed the work; and

**WHEREAS**, MCMUA's consulting engineer, Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. ("SCE") evaluated the work performed and determined the work, and any punchlist items were completed; and

**WHEREAS**, BRE successfully completed the work to the satisfaction of the Owner and Engineer, and SCE is satisfied that BRE furnished the necessary project closeout documents including certified payroll reports, maintenance bond, and release of all liens; and

**WHEREAS**, SCE recommends processing the final payment to BRE in the amount of \$42,066.00, which includes the release of retainage; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA Treasurer has certified that sufficient funds are available in account number 01-1-600-800-726 for the release of the aforementioned final payment to BRE.

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

1. The MCMUA determines that the work performed by BRE pursuant to Contract 2021-MCMUA01 Paving, Paving Improvements at Various Locations, Contract C has reached final completion and the completed work is accepted.
2. The Executive Director is authorized and directed to process the final payment to BRE in the amount of \$42,066.00, which includes the release of retainage.
3. The Executive Director, staff and consultants are authorized to take all appropriate actions to effectuate 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 September 7, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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

ATTEST:

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

**MOTION:** Mr. Druetzler made a Motion To Accept The Work Performed For Contract 2021-MCMUA01 Paving, Paving Improvements At Various Locations, Contract C; And Authorizing Final Payment And Release Of Retainage For Completion and Mr. Guadagno seconded the Motion.

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

(5) We are still working with DEP to get the meeting together for Mt. Arlington's request for additional water. Trying to coordinate the schedule with DEP has been difficult, but we hopeful we can get that scheduled and keep that moving forward.

Chairman Dour asked if there are any updates on the Hercules Property. Mr. McAloon replied they were scheduled last week to do the crane mat installation, however, they pushed that off due to the anticipated storm. They are on hold for now in terms of the crane mat installation. They will let us know when that will be scheduled. They still have some work to do before heavy loads do traverse our water main. We did mark it out.

(6) Additionally, Roxbury is still working on finalizing their Agreement, the other Developer's Agreement for the water supply. This has been put on hold recently too due to the storm and other provisions slowed them down a bit.

**PROJECT STATUS**

1. General System:

- A. Through August 2021, MCMUA sold approximately 1,123.51 MG to date. This total volume of water sold to date is below the total sold for the same period in 2020 (1,172.29 MG), however, was above the total sold in 2019 (1,016.47 MG) respectively.
- B. Water system operations were maintained throughout Hurricane Ida. Some well houses suffered power surges, but water system operating personnel were able to quickly restore power and operation of the facilities. As a reminder, emergency generators are inspected and operated under load on a quarterly basis to ensure proper operation during emergency events.

2. Maintenance Garage Updates:

Hilt Construction has completed the installation of the oil/water separator to complete the final requirements of this project. The final plumbing inspection is scheduled to be performed on Friday September 3. Upon successful plumbing inspection, and the furnishing of the necessary closeout documents, this project will be closed.

3. MCMUA Paving Improvement Projects:

**Contract C – Parsippany Compost Facility:** The Contractor has furnished the necessary closeout documents for this project, satisfying the terms of the contract. SCE recommends final payment to Black Rock Enterprises, LLC. in the amount of **\$42,066.00** including the release of retainage. SCE presented to the board the Resolution Accepting the work.

4. Mount Arlington Request for Additional Water Allocation:

We are in the process of scheduling a meeting with representatives from NJDEP to discuss further options and revisit previous discussions from early 2020. Following the NJDEP meeting, we anticipate the need to schedule a discussion with the Water Committee.

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

Mr. Deacon provided the following highlights: (1) He made a correction on his report regarding the Improvement Project at Mt. Olive Transfer Station which is set to begin on Monday, September 13. The Contractor, DLS, has some emergencies come up because of the storm that they needed to handle first.; (2) The screener project is complete for 2021. The machine was removed from Parsippany Compost on September 1 and the Morris County Mosquito Commission started assisting with the stone drainage down in Parsippany. That stone was all screened while the equipment was there, so now Mosquito is assisting with their equipment and their operator to get that all set in place. Thank you to the Mosquito Commission.; (3) Regarding Vegetative Waste, the dozer rental is still scheduled for Monday, September 13. It will be at Mt. Olive for a week and at Parsippany for a week. This is to assist with site grading and spread the stone we just purchased at both locations.; (4) The Water Division assisted with digging some holes at the Armory. Trees are scheduled to be delivered tomorrow and planted by the end of this week. Thank you to Tony and his crew for the assist.; (5) Solid Waste Management Plan, Jefferson Township Resolution that Larry went over is included in your additional correspondence. We received this on the September 3. Basically approving it with the caveat of the issues with the site plan, so now we will take the next step with the request for Administrative Action to the DEP.; and (6) The MCMUA generated a letter today to the DEP concerning the possible increase in tonnage for the next few weeks at both transfer stations. Letter gave a heads-up that with both the Labor Day holiday weekend and the results from Hurricane Ida may result in leaving waste on the floor. The Operation Managers have been hearing a lot from our customers at the scale houses about residents and businesses requesting boxes for the storm so we started communicating with the J.P. Mascaro managers on the possible increase in the next few weeks. An update to that update, we received an email from DEP Solid Waste Emergencies, which is an email that you send information to during hurricanes and basically a request can be made to the DEP to extend your operating hours or extend the permitted volume at both stations.; and (7) Lastly, there is Resolution No. 21-73, which Larry spoke about regarding use of third-party haulers. Mr. Guadagno asked who are the third party haulers. Mr. Deacon replied that right now J.P. Mascaro is only using Voyager Transport.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-73**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SOLID WASTE SERVICES, INC. D/B/A/  
J.P. MASCARO & SONS TO UTILIZE THIRD-PARTY SUBCONTRACTED HAULERS  
AT THE MCMUA'S SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATIONS LOCATED IN  
PARSIPPANY-TROY HILLS TOWNSHIP AND MOUNT OLIVE TOWNSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, on July 7, 2020, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") awarded a contract to Solid Waste Services, Inc. d/b/a J.P. Mascaro & Sons for the operation of the two MCMUA solid waste transfer stations, located in Parsippany-Troy Hills Township and Mount Olive Township, including providing transportation and disposal of all solid waste received at the transfer station facilities for a period of five years pursuant to Resolution No. 20-45 (the "Contract"); and

**WHEREAS**, the technical specifications of the Contract require J.P. Mascaro & Sons to provide all necessary equipment to efficiently operate the MCMUA transfer station facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the operation and maintenance manuals for the MCMUA transfer stations require J.P. Mascaro & Sons to provide all emergency and backup services and equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, in a letter dated August 25, 2021 from William Fox, Jr., Esq. of J.P. Mascaro & Sons to Larry Gindoff, MCMUA's Executive Director, it was requested that it be permitted to utilize third-party subcontracted haulers to assist in providing the transportation element of the Contract from the MCMUA's two transfer stations due to issues caused by the pandemic specifically labor shortages associated with hiring CDL drivers transportation for the transportation requirements of the Contract; and

**WHEREAS**, Mascaro stated it will provide the MCMUA with relevant information regarding any retained third-party subcontractor, including name, address, telephone number, A-901 information, vehicle and trailer registration and license information, insurance information and anything else that the MCMUA may require; and

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA desires to authorize J.P. Mascaro & Sons to utilize third-party subcontracted haulers to assist in providing the transportation element of the Contract at the MCMUA's two transfer stations, provided that the MCMUA is furnished with all the relevant information reading the third-party subcontracted haulers and said haulers operate within all the requirements of applicable regulatory agencies.

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

1. J.P. Mascaro & Sons is temporarily authorized to utilize third-party subcontracted haulers to assist in providing the transportation element of the Contract at the MCMUA's two transfer stations until such time that the current driver shortage being experienced by J.P. Mascaro & Sons is resolved, provided that the MCMUA is furnished with all the relevant information reading the third-party subcontracted haulers and said haulers operate within all the requirements of applicable regulatory agencies.
2. The MCMUA's staff and consultants are hereby authorized to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
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 September 7, 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 Solid Waste Services, Inc. D/B/A J.P. Mascaro & Sons To Utilize Third-Party Subcontracted Haulers At The MCMUA's Solid Waste Transfer Stations Located In Parsippany-Troy Hills Township And Mount Olive Township and Mr. Druetzler seconded the Motion.

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

(Mr. Feyl seemed to be on mute and the meeting could not receive responses from Mr. Feyl when called upon.)

Chairman Dour asked if we had any other issues with the storm; roofs leaking, flooding or not being able to access the transfer stations. Mr. Gindoff replied that New Road was partially closed but you could access our transfer station from the highway. That gave us a reprieve for a day and a half of a little waste not coming to us as the transfer station was partially inaccessible. The transfer station in itself is on a hill, so it rarely floods, it's the roads around it. Mt. Olive is not an issue at all.

Mr. Lemanowicz mentioned that the Plans and Specifications for the Floor Refinishing at Mt. Olive are complete and will speak with Larry Gindoff tomorrow about a bid date. Also there has been some damage found at the Parsippany Transfer Station. It appears that a trailer or multiple trailers are hitting diagonal bracing that was put in one of the loading bays. The Structural person who has been involved with that project and Bobby Ross are going to get together on Friday to go over where we are with that issue. It certainly appears that based upon the scratched paint, that the corner of the trailer hit the diagonal brace. We are going to see what has to happen to repair that and also to figure out how to prevent that from happening in the future.

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

#### **TRANSFER STATIONS**

**Tonnage-** For the month of August 2021, the quantity of solid waste accepted at the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations was 41,912 tons. The 41,912 tons accepted in August 2021 was 13.43% greater than the 36,948 tons accepted in August 2020. At this point in the year with eight (8) months of actual data, it is being projected that Morris County will dispose of 452,336 tons of waste in 2021, which would represent an 8.51% increase over the 415,100 tons accepted in 2020. Solid waste disposal continues to trend upwards compared to the past disposal patterns.

August Comparison Statistics:

- 2020- 8,442 Total Customers
- 2021- 9,611 Total Customers
- 2020- 36,649 Tons
- 2021- 41,911 Tons

Mount Olive related to the Home Owner Disposal (SEVDOA):

- 2020- 843 Self-Generated/Residential Costumers
- 2021- 919 Self-Generated/Residential Costumers

Please refer to the attached Transfer Station Disposal Report by Month for additional information.

#### **Mount Olive Transfer Station- NJDEP Solid Waste Facility General Permit Renewal-**

Attached as correspondence for the Board at the September 7 meeting, the MCMUA received a Notice of Technically Complete letter from the NJDEP on August 19. The Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste determined that all the application information provided by Alaimo Engineering for the MCMUA Mount Olive transfer station General Permit was technically complete. The NJDEP will now be drafting and providing the MCMUA with a renewed Solid Waste Facility Permit for Mount Olive. Alaimo Engineering has also starting the process of generating a similar proposal for the MCMUA Parsippany-Troy Hills transfer station General Permit renewal application, which is set to expire on October 17, 2022.

**Major Repair Project-** Above Ground Storage Tanks (AGST) Diesel Fuel- replacement of the 4000 gallon holding tanks and the pumping system at both MCMUA transfer stations. T.R. Weniger, Inc. was issued a Notice to Proceed letter by the MCMUA staff with a start date of March 31, 2021.

The MCMUA Operations staff is still awaiting the new pumping systems for both transfer stations. As mentioned at previous Board meetings, T.R. Weniger, Inc. cleaned out, disconnected, and removed both of the old diesel fuel tanks in Parsippany-Troy Hills and Mount Olive. The new 4000 gallon Core Engineering Solutions Convault tanks are set in place, the new

pipng and electric have been installed, with the old pumps hooked back up. T.R. Weniger, Inc. anticipates the parts for the new pumps to be delivered by the end of September 2021. In the meantime, the old pumps remain operational. The factory training for all the onsite MCMUA and J.P. Mascaro and Sons staff on their operations will occur when the project is complete.

**Transfer Station Site Improvements-** The MCMUA Parsippany-Troy Hills transfer station scale house roof was repaired by a J.P. Mascaro and Sons subcontractor on August 11. The entire roof was seal top-coated, with the damage to the outbound side repaired and re-shingled. J.P. Mascaro and Sons and subcontractor Delaware Valley Paving also completed the milling, paving, and addressing of some pothole repairs at both stations. Improvements in the faded line striping was started at the Parsippany facility but was not yet completed. The additional line striping in Parsippany and complete scope of work in Mount Olive will be scheduled between J.P. Mascaro and Sons and the MCMUA Operations managers, not to interfere with business and the flow of truck traffic.

As approved by the MCMUA Board, DLS Maintenance and Construction, LLC (DLS) is scheduled to start the office improvements at the Mount Olive transfer station on Tuesday, September 7. This will include the replacement of all the transfer station office windows, installing new flooring, complete all the wall patching and repairs that occurred during the spray insulation project, and final painting of the offices (4), conference room (1), bathrooms (2), and the main reception/lobby area. The MCMUA Transfer Station Managers will be working with J.P. Mascaro and Sons on scheduling to have all of these areas cleared to complete this project.

MCMUA Counsel and Alaimo Engineering have been working on finalizing bid specifications for the Mount Olive transfer station tipping floor project. The anticipation for award of this project is still targeted for the October 12 Board meeting. This project should include the repairs to the main tipping floor, repairs to the heavily damaged trench drain system, and some alterations to the observation desk near the loading pits. The winter months become a factor when dealing with the super EUCO-Top by Euclid Chemical Corp., which is being considered for the Mount Olive transfer station tipping floor replacement so we are trying to get this work done before the weather turns too cold.

Attached as correspondence for the Board at the September 7 meeting is a letter from J.P. Mascaro and Sons dated August 25, regarding a request for Mascaro to temporarily use/obtain a third-party outside subcontractor hauler(s) to assist with removing solid waste from the transfer station tipping floors. Similar to Resolution No. 21-61 passed at the July 13 Board meeting for J.P. Mascaro and Sons to utilize eighteen (18) open-top trailers, a third-party hauler would help assist Mascaro with routinely managing the increased amount of solid waste at both stations, while supplementing the lack of CDL drivers during the COVID-19 pandemic. Due to the current challenges presented by the pandemic, including but not reduced to, the shortages of qualified drivers, Resolution No. 21-73 will be presented at the September 7 Board meeting for consideration. Mascaro will be asked by the MCMUA Operations staff to provide all of the third-party hauler's insurance, registration, and updated NJDEP sticker (A901/ACT90) information before any haulers can begin hauling operations, keeping the MCMUA in compliance with all regulations.

## **SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Jefferson Recycling, LLC., a class B recycling facility on Route 15 North in Jefferson Township, is requesting to add another source separated class B material within their permitted 700 tons per day (TPD) of incoming flows. The request is 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. MCMUA staff has been in communication with the Township of Jefferson on this matter and is still awaiting their final decision and possible resolution.

Attached as correspondence for the Board at the September 7 meeting, the MCMUA was copied on a NJDEP General Approval letter dated August 12 for Electronic Recyclers, International, Inc. (ERI) located in Lincoln Park. ERI's requested modifications to their class D (Universal Waste) facility dealt with changes to the interior of the building to increase their overall storage capacity, and had little to no MCMUA or Plan involvement.

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) MANAGEMENT

**Program Participation-** The next upcoming MCMUA HHW one-day drop-off event will occur on Saturday, September 25, 2021 at the Morris County Public Safety Academy (MCPSTA) located at 500 West Hanover Avenue in Parsippany-Troy Hills Township. The final 2021 event day is scheduled for Saturday, October 23, 2021 at Chatham High School, 255 Lafayette Avenue in Chatham Township. In August 2021, the permanent household hazardous waste facility (HHWF) located at the MCMUA Mount Olive transfer station had a total of 322 serviced appointments, which included 285 Morris County residents, 2 VSQG/small businesses, and 35 out-of-Morris County residents. MCMUA's 2021 totals now equal 2,060 serviced appointments, 1,864 of those appointments being Morris County residents.

A resolution has been prepared for the September 7 Board meeting closing out Contract B-Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHWF), milling, paving and line striping. The contractor, D&L Paving, has submitted payment application #1 for the work completed in the amount of \$19,895.96. Additionally, Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. (Suburban) presented Change Order #1 for a decrease in the overall contract value of \$1,195.60 for the reconciliation of additional and un-used quantities, as well as the replacement and repair of the existing catch basin.

## VEGETATIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

The two (2) new 2021 Volvo L110H wheel loaders purchased for the Parsippany facility are still slated to arrive sometime in September to November of 2021. The NJDEP Division of Air Quality, Bureau of Mobile Source, through the New Jersey Equipment Modernization Program, will be reimbursing the MCMUA 30% on the replacement equipment which will total \$150,923.40, all based on the decommissioning of the two (2) older Volvo loaders at Parsippany. The MCMUA is planning to rent a Foley Cat D6 LGP Oval Track Dozer to properly grade both vegetative waste facilities. The tentative start date is September 13 in Mount Olive for one (1) full work week, followed by the next week in Parsippany. The end date would be Friday, September 24 for this project. For additional information, a copy of the Vegetative Waste Report will be provided to the MCMUA Board for the September 7 meeting.

**Parsippany Vegetative Waste Facility Improvement Project-** The MCMUA Operations staff continues to work with Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. (Suburban) on "Phase 2" of the improvement project at the Parsippany Vegetative Waste facility behind the Morris County Public Safety Training Academy (MCPSTA). The milling and paving of the road and entrance was completed in June of 2021. "Phase 2" includes a concrete lug block retaining wall that will surround the free pile area, a small retaining wall in front of the office trailer to meet the new blacktop, a few small sections of fencing that need to be replaced near the trailer and entrance road, and two (2) new facility gates to be installed before and after the free pile area. The final step would be the MCMUA staff updating and purchasing new facility signage that meets our all the NJDEP requirements while providing valid information to our vegetative waste customers about our products and the services that the MCMUA provides.

**Outbound Vegetative Materials Marketing-** With assistance from Naturcycle, LLC, the MCMUA Vegetative Waste staff has completed the 2021 compost screening project at both MCMUA facilities. Between both Mount Olive and Parsippany facilities, the Vegetative Waste staff put in a total of 103.5 hours of overtime, which includes working Saturdays, to complete the project in a timely fashion in preparation for site grading and the 2021 leaf season. The Emerald Equipment Systems, Inc. Phoenix 3300 Powerscreen screener was delivered to the Mount Olive facility on July 15, with a scheduled start date of Monday, July 19. Issues with the size of the screens (1/2" to 3/4") installed, and the machinery screener itself, setback the process to an actual start date of Friday, July 30. When materials were finished being screened in Mount Olive, the machine was moved to Parsippany on August 11. There the screener was used for 99 hours clock time. On Monday, August 30, the screener was cleaned and fueled, then assembled for shipping offsite. The Emerald Equipment Phoenix 3300 Powerscreen was later cleared from the Parsippany compost site on September 1. The final project stats/totals for the Board:

- Mount Olive screened compost- 3,500 CY has been set aside for commercial sales, 1,000 CY for residential deliveries. 46.08 tons (171 CY) of tailings/overs were sent for proper

disposal at the Mount Olive transfer station. This was less than last year, when the MCMUA disposed of a total of 164 tons (310 CY) in 2020.

- Parsippany screened compost- 6,000 CY has been set aside for commercial sales, 1,000 CY for residential deliveries. The total tailings/overs that will be sent for proper disposal at the Mount Olive transfer station will be updated at the September 7 Board meeting. Last year in 2020, the MCMUA disposed of a total of 71.91 tons (145 CY).

The MCMUA will now be working with Naturcycle to eventually share some of the costs for the freight and rental of the equipment, diesel fuel and DEF/urea used, MCMUA employee overtime, and the final disposal of overs/tailings as solid waste at the MCMUA Mount Olive transfer station.

As mentioned during the August 10 Board meeting, Naturcycle has been assisting with an MCMUA Compost Brochure/Handout. This brochure will highlight the MCMUA facilities and our compost materials. The first draft has been submitted to MCMUA for approval of the layout and its content. Naturcycle will now be sending out to add some color, graphics, and additional formatting. Some upcoming MCMUA/Naturcycle joint projects include:

- The Belmont Park Arena (or UBS Arena home to the New York Islanders), in Elmont, New York, next to the Belmont Park race track, with screened compost coming from the Parsippany facility approved for use in engineered soil. This includes approximately 1,000 cubic yards (CY) total, expected to begin sometime after Labor Day.
- A New York State Department of Transportation (NYDOT) wetland soil project with screened compost from the Parsippany facility to be used in engineered soil. This involves approximately 500 CY total, and is expected to begin in September 2021.
- Tri-State Bulk Garden Supply has been authorized for up to 500 CY of unscreened compost material and Kirk Allen Trucking has been authorized for up to 200 CY of screened compost material.
- Naturcycle also plans to purchase approximately 1,500 CY of screened material for various soil projects.

The MCMUA also provided over 40 CY of our double ground wood mulch to Morris County Buildings and Grounds (B&G) for use around the Morris County 9/11 Memorial located at 460 West Hanover Avenue in Parsippany-Troy Hills. The Morris County Board of County Commissioners has invited residents of Morris County and beyond to join them for special remembrance ceremony Sunday, September 12 at 6:00 PM to observe the 20th Anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. **Please, Never Forget.**

### **RECYCLING REPORT:**

Ms. Sweedy reported the following: (1) The July per ton rate for single stream was finalized in the amount of +\$44.20. The preliminary rate for single stream for the month of August is +\$65.77 per ton, an increase of \$21.57 over the rate for July. Plastics and metal commodities pricing improved a bit in August, but it was the favorable fiber pricing that resulted in the large positive spike in single stream pricing.; (2) Mentioned in the Recycling Report was a resolution for the purchase of a Stationery Compactor Unit and Receiver Box or Container that shall be placed at the Florham Park Borough Recycling Center. This will provide larger capacity or storage and will cut down on the number of pulls from the depot which will be an overall improvement.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-74**  
**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**  
**RUDCO PRODUCTS, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority ("MCMUA") has a need to acquire a Stationary Compactor and 40 Yard Container via 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, Rudco Products, Inc. having a business address of 114 East Oak Rd. (P.O. Box 705) Vineland, NJ 08360 submitted the attached proposal in the amount of \$30,207.00 for the work to be performed; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract to be awarded includes 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 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.

**WHEREAS**, the MCMUA Treasurer certifies that sufficient funds are available from Budget account number 01-3-300-800-151 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 award and authorizes the Executive Director to execute the contract for the work in proposal from Rudco Products, Inc. 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:	Rudco Products, Inc.
Estimated Cost of Service:	\$30,207.00 (not to exceed)
Account Number:	01-3-300-800-151

**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 Tuesday, September 7, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL  
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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

ATTEST:

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Marilyn Regner, Secretary

**MOTION:** Dr. Kominos made a Motion to Approve A Vendor Service Contract On A Non-Fair And Open’ Basis Pursuant To The ‘Pay-To-Play Law’ and Mr. Barry seconded the Motion.

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

(3) We are providing a reimbursement to the Morris County Park Commission for three outdoor water bottle filling stations. This is a new initiative by New Jersey Clean Communities Council this year with approved spending for this type of project. In addition to this they also now approved the use of Clean Communities money for pet waste stations, which was not previously approved. With Clean Communities, there have been some really great positive changes with our new Executive Director and look forward to all that she is going to bring next year.

Mr. Gindoff mentioned that he really appreciates going forward with the water filling stations at the sport fields. It is a plus-plus for everything that we do at the MUA from a water perspective, recycling, waste minimization. It is all good. Ms. Sweedy expressed appreciation to Larry for his support.

**RECYCLING REPORT:**

**Tonnage and Value** – The July 2021 Republic statement was finalized in the amount of \$60,167.19. The per ton rate for single-stream was positive \$44.20, an increase of \$21.88 in comparison to the rate of \$22.32 received in June 2021. The August statement, and tonnages by material and municipality has not been received as of the writing of this report, but additional improvements to the rates are anticipated and will be provided to the Board during the meeting.

**Curbside Contract Proposals & Resolutions**

**Resolution (Stationary Compactor):** A resolution approving a Rudco Products, Inc., ‘non-fair and open’ contract to acquire a Stationary Compactor and 40 cubic-yard container will be presented for consideration by the Board for approval at the September Board meeting. This equipment is currently planned to be used at the Florham Park Recycling Depot in an effort to increase efficiency of the MCMUA’s recycling collection network and improve the quality of the material accepted at the depot by decreasing moisture.

On 8/4/2021, MCMUA staff met with Gary Smalley, Elliot Crowley, and Eric Gabrielson of Republic Services to discuss market conditions, changes in acceptable materials, MRF fires and Republic’s invoice process. Based on these discussion with the market, market conditions and to simplify education messaging the MCMUA plans to add the following materials to the unacceptable list beginning in 2022:

- All plastic bags and plastic film
- Shredded paper (new)

- Pressurized cans (new)
- Aerosol containers (new)
- Pizza boxes (new)

A September meeting is planned with the Municipal Recycling Coordinators in the towns that participate in the MCMUA's curbside recycling collection program. They will receive an overview of requirements and program updates.

On 8/19/2021, staff prepared the shared services agreement for Mine Hill Township's consideration. The five-year contract would begin on 1/1/22 if accepted by Mine Hill. The day of collection will change from Mondays to Wednesdays. The letter and agreement was mailed on 8/30/21.

Similarly, the staff and counsel have prepared a proposed agreement for the Town of Boonton to run from 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2026. This proposed agreement will be mailed to the Town of Boonton for its consideration.

On 8/26/2021, the 2009 Sterling roll-off truck from the Curbside Department, as authorized by the MCMUA, was sold at auction. The starting bid was \$6,000.00. The winning bid by North Shore Scrap, was \$9,300.00 and removal is being coordinated.

### **Recycling Inspections**

On 8/6/2021, staff met with Don Foley, Manager of Warehouse & Logistics for Tronex International Inc., Mt. Olive, at the request of Mike Flora. Mike had seen Waste Management roll-off containers that were full of cardboard cartons of gloves. The gloves could not be sold or donated because they did not meet California performance standards. Mr. Foley said that they are paying additional money for "assured destruction" and he believed the company was properly handling the waste. He was not aware that the cardboard boxes had to be separated from the gloves before being placed into the roll-off container. Don plans to remove the cardboard boxes and put them into a separate container for recycling that will be provided by his current hauler Blue Diamond.

On 8/10/2021, at the invitation of Joe Schmidt, Morris County Office of Health Management, staff attended a meeting with Ken McBride, Resident Manager of the Boulders at Rockaway Township and Al Knoth, Rockaway Township Recycling Coordinator. This complex of 129 units was not recycling paper and cardboard. Mr. McBride obtained small carts for paper and cardboard before the meeting. Staff provided decals and educational information. Staff will provide recycling bags for distribution to residents. A follow up inspection will be conducted in the near future.

On 8/11/21, staff conducted two recycling inspections in Hanover Township. The first inspection was at Hanover Hills Condo complex. Staff found some unacceptable items in the recycling dumpsters, such as scrap metal and trash. In addition, the recyclables contained a lot of moisture since the dumpster lids were not closed on most of the dumpsters. The second inspection was conducted at the Eden Lane Condo complex. Overall, there has been an improvement at this complex. Staff found some plastic bags mixed with recyclables. The property managers at both complexes were provided with the inspection reports and photos. They were asked to share this information with the condominium association and with residents.

On 8/25/21, staff conducted follow up inspections (last inspections conducted on 6/28/21) at the following County building locations:

- **Police Academy** - The recycling dumpster contained flattened boxes, loose bottles, cans and paper. All materials were acceptable. This was an improvement. The trash dumpster contained a small pile of loose coffee cups and plastic water bottles. It seems that employees are mixing the water bottles (mandated recyclables) with coffee cups (trash). Staff provided education materials as a reminder.
- **Morris View** - While inspecting the cardboard roll-off at Morris View, Ed the Morris View employee who manages recycling, introduced himself to staff. The roll-off had lots

of flattened cardboard boxes that were properly stacked. Staff found two types of unacceptable materials in the dumpster; plastic packaging straps and clear plastic packaging wrap. Staff explained to Ed that these materials are not acceptable in the recycling stream and jam the equipment at Republic Services. Ed was grateful for the information and will put those items into the trash going forward. The trash roll-off contained trash and three cardboard boxes. Staff told Ed that all cardboard boxes must be recycled because they are mandated by law to be recycled.

- **1 Medical Drive** - Recycling dumpster: contained the following contamination, an art easel, plastic foam packaging and a coffee cup with spilled liquid. There were also flattened cardboard boxes. The trash dumpster contained several large clear plastic bags of desk-side recycling bags full of recyclables mixed with trash. This problem was present at the June 28, inspection too, however it was worse this time. The employees are mixing their trash and recyclables together. Staff took several pictures to share with Supervisors from that building. Staff will also contact Joe Smith from Employment Horizons. He is the supervisor of the cleaning staff from that building.
- **Morris County Library** - The recycling dumpster contained all loose acceptable materials. This was an improvement over the inspection on June 28. The trash dumpster was completely empty.
- **Hanover Garage** - The recycling dumpster only contained flattened cardboard boxes. The trash dumpster looked very good, with no recyclables found.

### **Recycling & Clean Communities Education**

On 8/18/21, staff sent the Fire Alert email to Morris County Departments heads and Employment Horizons (subcontractor that provides cleaning staff in many County buildings). This information was created to warn and educate the public about items that cause fires at Republic Services and other facilities in New Jersey. Those receiving the email were asked to share it with their employees. Unfortunately, there is an increase in fire events caused by batteries and flammable materials that are mixed with recyclables.

On 8/26/21, the Morristown Chamber of Commerce hosted a virtual presentation on the NJ Bag Ban law (P.L. 2020 C.117), which will become effective May 4, 2020. Staff attended the virtual program. The speakers were, Janet Robertson, NJ Business Action Center, Erin Jensen, NJDEP and JoAnn Gemenden, NJ Clean Communities Director.

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

On 8/17/2021, staff attended and kept minutes for ANJR meeting.

### **Clean Communities**

On 8/17/21, staff attended the Clean Communities Best Practices virtual meeting. The group had a discussion about Bag Ban education strategies, and the purchase and distribution of reusable bags. Topics were selected for the agenda of the September Clean Communities County Coordinators meeting that is scheduled for September 30, 2021.

On 8/27/21, Clean Communities Coordinators were provided with the links and information about the updated Clean Communities Guidelines and frequently asked questions sheet. In an effort to get all municipalities engaged in following the updated guidelines, the MCMUA plans to have a meeting for Clean Communities coordinators in the fall. New for 2021, Clean Communities Grant money can be used to purchase dog/pet waste stations (and bags); also allowable is the purchase of outdoor water bottle filling stations, for public lands/areas.

The Morris County Park Commission was reimbursed for the purchase of three outdoor water bottle filling stations. This, in an effort to reduce the number of single-use plastic bottles and reduce litter. The Park Commission is planning to install two at Central Park near the athletic/sports fields and one at another County Park (to be determined). The use of Clean Communities Grant money to support this effort is a new initiative set-forth by the NJ Clean Communities Council in 2021.

**Clean Communities sponsored one educational program** during August, at a Library that featured Rizzo's Reptiles.

**Clean Communities Road Cleanups, in August - two cleanups:**

On 8/5/21, a litter cleanup was conducted on Green Pond Road (CR 513) in Rockaway Township. Total miles cleaned = 5 linear

Bags of trash: 21

Bags of recyclables: 13

On 8/24/21, a litter cleanup was conducted on Boonton Avenue (CR 511) in Kinnelon Borough and Montville Township. Total miles cleaned = 5 linear

Bags of trash: 20

Bags of recyclables: 11

**A total of 10 liner miles cleaned in August!**

**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:**

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 7:35 p.m.

**MOTION:** Mr. Guadagno made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Mr. Hudzik and carried unanimously.

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Marilyn Regner  
Secretary