

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 7, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority was held on December 7, 2021 at 5:30 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.

Vice Chairwoman Kominos 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 5:30 PM on Tuesday, December 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.

Vice Chairwoman Kominos requested a roll call.

PRESENT: Mr. James Barry, Mr. Frank Druetzler, Mr. Gene Feyl, Mr. Michael Guadagno, and Dr. Dorothea Kominos.

Mr. William Hudzik entered the meeting at 5:38 p.m.

ABSENT: Dr. Nusbaum, Ms. Szwak and Mr. Dour.

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

Vice Chairwoman Kominos asked for the Board's approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 9, 2021.

MOTION: Mr. Feyl made a Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 9, 2021 and Mr. Guadagno seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 4 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: Dr. Kominos

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

Vice Chairwoman Kominos 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

Mr. Kaletcher asked for the Board's approval of the vouchers:

BILL RESOLUTION NO. 21-97

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. 21-97 containing 7 pages for a total of **\$3,969,899.93** dated and made a part hereof by reference.

SUMMARY

CHECK NUMBERS

WATER OPERATING FUNDS	5725-5746	\$	155,190.24
SOLID WASTE OPERATING	12663-12724	\$	3,814,709.69
		\$	3,969,899.93

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: December 7, 2021

BOARD VICE CHAIRWOMAN APPROVAL

Dorothea Kominos, Vice Chairwoman

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: December 7, 2021.

DATE: December 7, 2021

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Gindoff mentioned that there is no additional correspondence from the three water letters that were provided, which if anyone has any questions regarding these, we can bring them up during the Engineer's Report.

CORRESPONDENCE

WATER

1. Letter dated November 22, 2021 to Brad Carney, Esq. from Arthur A. Linfante, Managing Director, Integra Realty Resources – Northern Division, regarding Proposal/Valuation and Consulting Services for 1.5 miles of water pipeline/vaults located primarily along Woodland Road just outside the Clyde Potts Reservoir, Mendham, New Jersey.
2. Email dated November 23, 2021 to Messrs. Ramesh Patel, Steven Pudney and Robert Hudgins of DEP from Michael McAloon regarding request from Mt. Arlington for additional water.
3. Letter dated November 30, 2021 to Ms. Judith O'Brien, Township of Mine Hill, regarding Annual Bulk Water Meter Accuracy Testing from Anthony Milonas, Superintendent of Water Operations.

(Mr. Hudzik entered the meeting at 5:38 p.m.)

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mr. McAloon reported the following: (1) Water sales remain to be strong through November 2021, not on pace from last year, but still above 2019.; (2) We did receive written correspondence from Mine Hill that warranted reporting. Their claim for discrepancies in water usage from the billing from MCMUA to what the individual residential connections were is based on the information provided in the correspondence. We calculated their unaccounted for water to be about 29%, so that is water that they pay for through MCMUA's contract that they are not charging the customers for. This 29% is on the higher end of what the normal system should be operating. We did a brief review of historic water usage from Mine Hill and don't know any anomalies, meaning there was a substantial water main break that occurred but was not repaired. They did have something earlier in the Spring, but this is more recent and things have been pretty consistent. In accordance with the Regulations that we passed previously, the MCMUA has the right to require the customers to institute maintenance and repair, such as leak detection and other provisions to remedy such water loss. We are preparing correspondence in hope to set up a meeting with them to discuss the correspondence they sent to us, as well as what their game plan is. Mr. Gindoff added that in the Correspondence Report itself, we included an annual letter to Mine Hill, that we also send out to all our customers about our Annual Bulk Meter Accuracy Testing. Mr. McAloon mentioned what Larry is referring to is that we calibrate our Master Meters on a regular basis and we provide copies of that certification to our customers. We feel confident that our water meter is operating within acceptable parameters and most likely there could be breaks in their system that have been unidentified or other provisions that we want to talk to them about.; (3) John Garcia has successfully completed the connections for the tank isolation and interconnection project. They performed pressure/leakage testing today; successfully passed and they took their first bacteriological sample which was sent out for analysis, so they will know by 24 hours later if everything is good and the infrastructure can be put in service, upon which we would like to begin intermittent demonstration periods where we begin testing the system we have in place in preparation for the Mt. Arlington Tank being out-of-service.; (4) Regarding the Tank Rehab project, we did have a Non-Mandatory site visit on November 16, and bids are due on December 16. All this effort is so we could take the tank out-of-service to meet the water demands of the customers and allow us to facilitate our work and get that completed.; (5) Modem replacement has been continued. Slowly but surely, they are working through the various well houses and we are hopeful to be completed by the end of the year.; (6) We are finalizing the bid documents and are working with Shana on a reasonable schedule for the Pole Barn. We are hopeful to encumber these funds as part of 2021; (7) We had a meeting with Southeast Morris County M.U.A. on December 2, 2021. Myself, Larry and our attorney, Brad Carney attended and Southeast had several representatives on their end. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the long-term synergies. We identified the need to have a Water Committee Meeting prior to the January Board Meeting to get into more detail of contractual issues. Mr. Gindoff mentioned that sometime between now and January meeting, we will reach out to the Water Committee to schedule that meeting to discuss some of the issues that we are encountering from a water perspective.

Mr. Druetzler asked what the appraisal letter in Correspondence was all about. Mr. Gindoff explained that we are looking on how to do an appraisal on the sale of the pipeline to New Jersey American. He asked Brad Carney for some help in finding someone and he does not like the pricing on this appraisal we received, so we are trying to figure out on how to do an appraisal. Mr. Gindoff mentioned that we are probably going to write an RFP to get an appraiser on board to it. He is going to reach out to our appraiser that we have on board now, but he is primarily a property appraiser and not sure if he could do the work with the pipeline itself. It is a mixed bag where there is some easements involved with it, as well as the pipeline. We are still trying to figure out how to price that asset so we could sell it.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

PROJECT STATUS

1. General System:

- A. Through November 2021, MCMUA sold approximately 1,514.054 MG to date. This total volume of water sold to date is below the total sold for the same period in 2020 (1,574.280 MG), however, as above the total sold in 2019 (1,406.962 MG) respectively.
- B. MCMUA has received written correspondence from Mine Hill Township with regard to discrepancies in water usage and billing from the MCMUA master meter to the individual residential connections. Based on the information provided in the correspondence, the Mine Hill Township water system is currently operating with approximately 29% unaccounted for water. In accordance with the MCMUA *Potable Water System Regulations, Specifications and Rate Schedule*, the MCMUA has the right to require the Customer to institute a program of maintenance and repair to remedy such potable water loss. SCE is currently preparing correspondence and will be requesting a meeting with Mine Hill Township to discuss.

2. Mt. Arlington Water Storage Tank Rehabilitation:

Contract A – Tank Isolation

John Garcia Construction has completed the final connections for this project, and anticipated performing the pressure/leakage testing as well as the bacteriological testing on Thursday 12/2 and Friday 12/3. Upon successful results, this infrastructure can be put in service, allowing the MCMUA to begin the demonstration period to simulate the Mt. Arlington tank being out of service. The Contractor will be installing the temporary interconnection with the Mt. Arlington water system in the early spring, prior to the tank rehabilitation due to concerns over freezing temperatures and other concerns.

Contract B – Tank Rehabilitation

The Non-Mandatory Site Visit was held on Tuesday, November 16, 2021; the bids are due on Thursday, December 16, 2021. Anticipated Contract Award is Tuesday, January 11, 2021

SCE will closely monitor the progress of the interconnection and the performance testing of the system operation to ensure tank dewatering for rehabilitation can be successfully performed.

3. 4G Modem Replacements and Integration Services:

PCS Pump and Process has continued the installation of the replacement modems at the various wells houses for the switch to 4G cellular service. It is anticipated the modem installation, testing, and startup will be completed prior to the end of the year.

4. Well #7 Pole Barn

SCE is finalizing the Contract Documents and will work to outline a reasonable bid schedule to determine bid opening and anticipated award to ensure funds are encumbered in 2021 for this project.

5. Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (SMCMUA) Coordination

A meeting between SMCMUA and MCMUA has been scheduled for Thursday December 2, 2021 at 2:00PM. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss long term synergies, as well as potential to supply the Borough of Mt. Arlington the additional volumes of water that have been requested. Following this meeting, we will update the Water Committee and the Board on the status of these discussions.

SOLID, HAZARDOUS & VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:

Mr. Deacon provided the following highlights: (1) He thanked all the Board Members and our Commissioner-Liaison who attended the Solid Waste Facilities Tour on November 12. He mentioned that our crew enjoyed meeting everyone and appreciate the time and support that you give us. For those that missed out, Dorothea, he will be happy to set up another Tour in the Spring, especially for your students. With that being said, Justin Doyle, our Mt. Olive Transfer Station Manager, is providing a tour for Hunterdon Prep High School this Monday, November 13; (2) Anthony Marrone's report is attached to the Solid Waste Report if anyone wants to review it.; (3) The improvements for the Mt. Olive Transfer Station Office area continued during the month. DLS is now complete. We are now working on some plumbing and IT items mentioned in the highlights. Hope to have bulletin boards up in the common area this week with all our safety information and contact information for inspectors. Possibility in the future, up to our Director, may be able to host some Board meetings remotely from the Mt. Olive Transfer Station or possibly some AEA Classes. It is starting to look nice up there; credit to Justin Doyle for spearheading that project.; (4) Regarding Vegetative Waste, the two new 2022 Volvo loaders are now in Parsippany. The two old loaders were actually decommissioned yesterday, December 6, up in Mt. Olive. Each loader was placed on a low-boy trailer and cut a 3x3 hole in the side of the engine block; thanks to Kahil and Harry Dry for doing that for us. Pictures and documentation were taken. We were provided \$5,000 per loader. These loaders will be used by the buyer for replacement parts. The pictures and documentation will be sent to the DEP with a 30% reimbursement on the new equipment that totals \$150,923.40. Staying with Vegetative Waste, update on the grinding totals in the highlights, he mentioned Thursday they produced 750 cubic yards. Mt. Olive brush pile is not complete, but the grinding gave us more room for the in-bound materials.; (5) Leaf Season ends this Saturday, December 11, 2021. If there is a need out there for additional hours, we will try, but at this point, Parsippany is pretty full, so we will be using Mt. Olive in the meantime.

Mr. Deacon asked for the Board's approval of the following Resolution, which is for the decommissioning of the 1999 Scarab:

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-98
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION
OF EQUIPMENT UTILIZING THE N.J. CLEAN CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (MCMUA) owns Equipment, which has been used primarily at the Vegetative Waste Department, as further described below:

- 1999 White SCARAB 18-450-04 Windrow Turner
 - Cummins Engine – 450 HP (s/n 11959338)
 - Approximately 2,331 Hours

WHEREAS, the Equipment has been determined to no longer be of use to the MCMUA since it is old and beyond economically feasible repair; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA desires to dispose of the equipment via the N.J. Clean Construction Program, as is, where is; and

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

1. The Executive Director of the MCMUA is hereby authorized and directed to dispose of the Equipment via the N.J. Clean Construction Program.
2. 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 December 7, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Dorothea Kominos, Vice Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Mr. Druetzler made a Motion to authorize Disposition of Equipment Utilizing The N.J. Clean Construction Program and Mr. Guadagno seconded the Motion.

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

(6) He mentioned the passing of Mike Schaeffer. He was a Mechanic at our Curbside Division for over 12 years. Mike was a good guy and a hard worker. He is going to be missed. He also was a big Giants fan.

Mr. Druetzler mentioned that he thought the tour was very good. He spoke to our Commissioner-liaison the other day and he enjoyed it. It was a learning experience for him and for me too. He thanked James for that and all the Staff we spoke to. Mr. Deacon thanked Mr. Druetzler for the kind words on the tour. He knows our guys really enjoyed it. Mr. Gindoff expressed his appreciation for the Board Members coming out to see the Staff and the interaction between the two of us. Mr. Deacon added that it means a lot. Mr. Druetzler commented that the thing that Anthony Marrone did with the bags, he found interesting.

Mr. Deacon called on Tom Lemanowicz to give his report. Mr. Lemanowicz started off with the quarterly review we talked about. He conducted his first site visit the week of Thanksgiving. He visited both transfer stations and ended up with four pages of bullet items that need to be addressed, as well as 70 photographs. The first report will be pretty substantial. He mentioned the following: (1) The Air Pollution Control System that is set to go for 2023.; (2) Regarding the Air Pollution Control Noise Study, we are reaching out to the consultant who gave us a prior proposal to see if he can update that proposal and get that underway.; (3) With regard to the Transfer Station Stormwater Management System, James continues to send us that data so we will be ready to put that together in the Spring.; (4) Regarding the Transfer Station Permitting, Mt. Olive's permit was approved. We are doing a proposal to update the Parsippany permit. Included in that permit is going to be the result of the Noise Study, which we discussed prior, and we are also getting a proposal for a Traffic Study because we are going for a capacity expansion at Parsippany, so once that is all put together, it is going to be forwarded for approval.

Mr. Gindoff mentioned that with the additional tonnage that we have been receiving, especially since COVID started, it has been challenging with our Parsippany permit, so as we are going through re-permitting, we are looking to get a capacity expansion at that site, which entails a little more work than we typically do for permit renewals that don't propose any changes whatsoever.

(5) The Parsippany roof, about five years ago, we did work and prepared a Parsippany Transfer Station roof. We are going back into that in 2023, so that is probably going to require a new assessment to determine what is needed for that roof.; (6) Regarding the Mt. Olive Water and Sewer Connection, we were authorized this week to proceed with that basically to bring the Mt. Olive Transfer Station onto a Public Utility rather than a private well and septic system.; (7) With regard to the Tipping Floor Improvement Project, we put that off until next year because of the impasse of IDA and COVID having concern about the floor being empty and cleared in time and the weather coming in.; and (8) Regarding Emergency Exit Plans, we were authorized to proceed with that this week also, so we will be working on that.

Mr. Druetzler asked how long is the water line you are going to put in and Mr. Lemanowicz replied we are not sure exactly where we are going to connect to it now. There is water at Lowes because of the tank back there, but as far as where we connect to the main, the issue is are we going to be able to connect anything at this point rather than the actual location, that is the next question. Mr. Druetzler asked how much does your firm charge per foot when installing a water main? Mr. Lemanowicz replied about \$200 or \$250 a foot depending on the size.

SOLID, HAZARDOUS AND VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

On Friday, November 12, the MCMUA Solid Waste Operations staff hosted a tour of the two (2) transfer stations, the two (2) vegetative waste facilities, the household hazardous waste facility (HHWF), and our Curbside Division for four (4) MCMUA Board members and our Morris County Commissioner-liaison. The tour included a complete site overview by all the respective facility managers/supervisors:

- Parsippany Vegetative Waste Facility- Manager, Keith Bibeault
- HHW Facility- Manager, Anthony Marrone
- Mount Olive Transfer Station- Manager, Justin Doyle
- Mount Olive Vegetative Waste Facility- Manager, Harry Dry
- MCMUA Curbside Division/ Garage- Assistant Operations Manager, Mike Nunn (with Supervising Diesel Mechanic, Kahlil Banzon)
- Parsippany-Troy Hill Transfer Station- Manager, Brett Snyder (with Operations Manager, Bobby Ross)

MCMUA Vegetative and Hazardous Waste Specialist Anthony Marrone continued with the 2021-2022 New Jersey Recycling Certification Series (Certified Recycling Professional) through the New Jersey Rutgers Cooperative Extension- Office of Continuing Professional Education, completing his Practice and Theory Assignment # 2- Final Project. Anthony's report outlined a vegetative waste bag audit that was performed at the MCMUA Mount Olive Vegetative Waste facility on October 29. Some good information was obtained from the audited Towns which included Dover, Victory Gardens, Lincoln Park, Netcong, and Hopatcong. The audit results were then shared with these Towns, most of them expressed an interest in working together to improve our vegetative waste program and to do more in terms of education for their residents.

MCMUA Transfer Station Managers Brett Snyder and Justin Doyle, Assistant Operations Manager Mike Nunn, and Solid Waste Coordinator James E. Deacon continued with the Association of Environmental Authorities- Environmental Professional Development Academy (AEA-EPDA) into the month of December 2021. MCMUA cohorts are currently attending the six (6) week Track #2- Operations. The last two (2) Operations trainings will be held on December 8 at the Evesham MUA Woodstream Plant and on December 15 at the Two River Water Reclamation Authority. Track #3- Finance and Track #4- Human Resources (HR) are still scheduled to take place in early 2022.

TRANSFER STATIONS

Tonnage- The 41,052 tons accepted by the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations in November 2021 was 14.88% greater than the 35,735 tons accepted a year ago in November 2020. Bulky waste (Type 13) and construction and demolition (C&D Type 13C) continued to come in at large

volumes in November 2021 making up 35% of the waste accepted. In comparison, these materials only made up about 20% of the waste stream in 2009. Based on the actual tonnage data collected for the first eleven (11) months of 2021, it is projected that 2021 will have an annual total of 463,766 tons which would represent an 11.27% increase in tonnage over the 415,100 tons accepted in 2020. Please refer to the attached Transfer Station Disposal Report by Month for additional information.

November Comparison Statistics:

Mount Olive Transfer Station:

Inbound- 15,165 Tons- 1,848 Tons more than 2020

Total Customers- 3,761- 495 more than 2020

Self-Generated/ Residential Customers- 710- 8 more than 2020

(The Mount Olive transfer station is forecasted to process 13,047 more tons than 2020's totals)

Parsippany-Troy Hills Transfer Station:

Inbound- 25,886 Tons- 3,468 Tons more than 2020

Total Customers- 5,612- 928 more than 2020

Self-Generated/ Residential Customers- 396- 56 more than 2020

(The Parsippany transfer station is forecasted to process 35,619 more tons than 2020's totals)

Transfer Station Site Improvements- DLS Maintenance and Construction, LLC (DLS) completed the primary office improvements at the Mount Olive transfer station on Friday, November 26 with completion pending a few punch list items. This project was delayed by Hurricane Ida, with other related emergencies coming up for DLS. DLS replaced all of the transfer station office windows, installed brand new flooring, completed all the wall patching and repairs that occurred during the spray insulation project, and completed the final painting and floor molding of the offices (4), large conference room (1), bathrooms (2), and the main reception/lobby area. The MCMUA Operations staff had also replaced all of the old, stained, and/or damaged ceiling tiles and the tile tracks throughout the office area. MCMUA staff will now work with County IT and their contractor Connectek, LLC, to run County network Cat 6 cable "drops" into all the offices. Connectek will also assist in moving all the network MDF panels into one protected central location in the common area closet. MCMUA staff has also requested quotes for the two (2) bathrooms within the Mount Olive offices. Repairs are needed for a slow leak, and replacement of new fixtures and toilets.

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. installed the new fuel pumps at both stations on Friday, November 19. T.R. Weniger, Inc. then responded back out to both stations on November 29 to make an improvement with new pressure gauges and cooper pipe, serving as an overflow that directs fuel back into the tank. With this project now complete, the MCMUA staff has designed proper safety signage to be posted at each station's fueling area and will perform in-house training along with J.P. Mascaro and Sons staff that utilize this equipment.

Professional Engineering Services- As mentioned by Alamio Project Manager Thomas Lemanowicz during the November 9 Board meeting, Alamio Engineering will be working with MCMUA staff regarding repair oversite connected to the damages caused during the solid waste emergency, which have greatly affected the facilities over the last few months. The MCMUA continues to work with J.P. Mascaro and Sons management on these repairs and improvements, some requiring professional review, planning, and final approval. Alamio Engineering also started the periodic facility review of both stations on Thursday, December 2. These site inspections will now be performed on a quarterly basis, reporting items that need to be addressed and recording a status of the items that may be noted in previous reports. Details from the December 2 site inspections will be provided by Alamio Engineering during the December 7 Board meeting.

Transfer Stations Accumulation of Solid Waste Issues- J.P. Mascaro and Sons continues to use their approval for the additional highway weight capacity from 80,000 pounds to 90,000 pounds in the efforts to fulfill the requirements of the contract- keeping the tipping floors clear of waste daily and the removal of loaded transfer trailers within 24 hours. Mascaro has increased their pool of CDL drivers and provided additional trailers for hauling waste to the permitted landfill.

Monthly virtual Operations meetings continue with Mascaro managers for needed improvements with communication. Documented damages from the solid waste emergency are sent to Mascaro managers and are being addressed based on priority. J.P. Mascaro and Sons is currently working on their contingency plan when dealing with the increased “peak” periods or “unexpected circumstances” during the contract. This had been mentioned and requested during the October 5 virtual meeting with Mascaro management and Counsel.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) MANAGEMENT

Program Participation- The MCMUA HHW one-day drop-off event program was completed for 2021 on Saturday, October 23, with the four (4) different events servicing a total of 2,797 vehicles. The MCMUA staff will now begin the planning and scheduling process with hazardous waste contractor, Maumee Express Inc. (MXI), for four (4) events in 2022.

In November 2021, the permanent household hazardous waste facility (HHWF) located at the MCMUA Mount Olive transfer station had a total of 223 serviced appointments, which included 200 Morris County residents, 7 VSQG/small businesses, and 16 out-of-Morris County residents. MCMUA’s 2021 totals now equal 2,776 serviced appointments, 2,502 of those appointments being Morris County residents.

The MCMUA HHW facility staff will be working with a new used cooking oil recycling company, Loeffel’s Waste Oil Service, LLC out of Sparta, New Jersey. Loeffel’s has replaced the 55 gallon metal drums with a staged 100 gallon tote container on wheels, for easier pump out recoveries, requiring no lifting. All the invoicing will now be electronic for needed pickups. Once the cooking oils are removed, the MCMUA will immediately be emailed the job ticket.

VEGETATIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

Additional vegetative waste flow information can be found in the Vegetative Waste Report, which will be provided to the MCMUA Board for the December 7 meeting.

Heavy Equipment- The two (2) new 2021 Volvo L110H wheel loaders purchased for the Parsippany facility were delivered direct on Tuesday, November 9. The NJDEP Division of Air Quality, Bureau of Mobile Source, through the New Jersey Equipment Modernization Program (NJEMP), will be reimbursing the MCMUA 30% on the replacement equipment which will total \$150,923.40. The MCMUA Operations staff and Curbside mechanics decommissioned both the 2004 Volvo L70E (MUA- L6) front end loader and the 1999 Volvo L120C (S99-L1) front end loader within the confines of the Mount Olive compost facility on Monday, December 6. Pictures and proper documentation were taken as proof for the NJDEP. Further details on this decommissioning project will be presented during the December 7 Board meeting.

Tub grinding services took place on November 30 and December 2 to process the large brush pile currently staged at the Mount Olive/Camp Pulaski facility. A total of 824 cubic yards (CY) of brush was processed on November 30 alone, and an additional 800 CY on December 2. MCMUA staff has also contacted Parsippany-Troy Hills Township Forestry Division through our inter-governmental shared agreement for grinding services of the class B materials (logs) in Mount Olive. This will more than likely occur in the beginning of 2022.

Through Resolution #21-94 approved by the Board at the November 9 meeting, the MCMUA will be purchasing a new Komptech Americas Topturn X5000 windrow turner through the State’s Sourcewell Contract. As a reminder to the Board, this equipment will replace the older 1999 Scarab windrow turner in Mount Olive and will be shared between the two (2) vegetative waste facilities. Resolution #21-95 permitted the MCMUA to enter the NJDEP NJEMP reimbursement used for the front end loaders. The maximum NJDEP reimbursement of 30% compensation amount is \$164,171.70. The reimbursement program remains based on the decommissioning of the oldest of the MCMUA’s current Scarab windrow turners, which is the 1999 Scarab staged in Mount Olive. The arrival of the new Komptech Americas Topturn X5000 windrow turner is slated for March of 2022.

MCMUA Vegetative Waste Recycling Facility Leaf Season- Starting on Saturday, October 23 and ending on Saturday, December 11, the MCMUA has continued its extended operating hours

for the Parsippany vegetative waste facility. The leaf season hours begin at 7:00 AM until 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM, Monday to Friday, and 7:00 AM until 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM on Saturdays, and closed Sundays. As conducted in the past, if additional drop-off hours are needed by municipal workers, MCMUA staff will work closely to provide access to the Parsippany site as dictated by the changing leaf collection patterns. Municipalities have already started to take advantage of these extended hours as incoming leaves have considerably increased over the last few weeks of November 2021.

Outbound Vegetative Materials Marketing- Naturcycle worked with the MCMUA to design a new Compost Brochure that has been finalized and ready for printing. Naturcycle and the MCMUA also had initial discussions about food scrap composting, generating a proposal for MCMUA to consider. Naturcycle has communicated with NJ DEC to determine next steps. Further discussion with MCMUA is planned for early December 2021.

Some MCMUA/Naturcycle joint projects for the Board:

- Belmont Park Arena, approximately 1,000 cubic yards (CY) of screened compost from Parsippany approved for use in engineered soil. The project start has been delayed.
- Wetland NY DOT soil project, approximately 500 CY of screened compost to be used in engineered soil. The project start has been delayed.
- New York City Parks project- McCarey Landscaping is ordering 350 CY of screened compost from the Parsippany facility for a planting mix. Approximately 350 CY total, with McCarey Landscaping picking up about 105 CY in October 2021. The remainder is currently being scheduled.
- Naturcycle is beginning additional sales calls for Mount Olive's OMRI listed compost to build demand for Spring 2021. Naturcycle also still plans to purchase over 1,000 yards of screened material for various soil projects.

RECYCLING REPORT:

Ms. Sweedy reported the following: (1) The preliminary rate for single stream for the month of November is +\$54.45 per ton. This is a decrease of \$18.36 per ton from last month's rate of \$72.81 per ton and is around the value we were receiving in July and August. With the exception of steel, all commodities which typically fluctuated moved downward in value in November compared to October. For the year, going from a low of paying \$44.03 per ton in January to a high of getting paid \$76.69 per ton in September, and then the decrease to November's falling value of \$54.45 per ton, the average for the last 11 months is +\$19.44 per ton for single stream.; (2) Finally, the Morris County MUA has an RFP advertised requesting proposals for the services to process and market recyclable materials starting on January 26, 2022 when the current agreement with Republic Services expires. The proposals are due on December 14, 2021 with award expected at the January meeting.; and (3) Gave update on two of our curbside towns with regard to new agreements for curbside collection, transportation, marketing services for 2022. The Town of Boonton went out to bid for Curbside Recycling Collection and Recycling Depot Services. Staff attended the bid opening on December 1. There were no other bids submitted. Staff received word from the Municipal Administrator that the Shared Services Agreement with the Morris County MUA was being considered and would most likely be approved at the next Town Council meeting on December 20. Mine Hill Township is the other municipality whose curbside recycling agreement is up for renewal. We received a resolution and they have signed the Agreement. The collection day was changed from every other Monday to every other Wednesday. A resolution regarding the Shared Services Agreement with Mine Hill Township will be presented in a moment.

Ms. Sweedy explained that the first two resolutions that she will be reading are with regard to the purchase of a pick-up truck. Last month a resolution passed to purchase a pick-up truck, but unfortunately the time frame lapsed and the MUA was unable to make that purchase; therefore, the first of the two resolutions is to rescind the resolution passed in November and the second resolution is to approve the purchase of the pick-up truck.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-99
RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 21-96**

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Board previously authorized the acquisition of one (1) Ford F250 for a total cost of \$35,030.00 from Beyer Ford via the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing program; and

WHEREAS, the vehicle the MCMUA desired to purchase is no longer available for order; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA desires to rescind Resolution No. 21-96 for the purchase of one (1) Ford F250; and

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

1. Resolution No. 21-96, authorizing the purchase of one (1) Ford F250 in the total amount of \$35,030.00 from Beyer Ford via the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing program.is hereby rescinded.
2. 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 Tuesday December 7, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Dorothea Kominos, Vice Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Mr. Barry/Hudzik made a Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 21-99 To Rescind Resolution No. 21-96 and Mr. Guadagno seconded the Motion.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-100
RESOLUTION OF THE MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A STATE
PURCHASING CONTRACT FOR BEYER FORD**

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29 et seq. may, by Resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services through the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing program which has been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA intends to enter into contract with the following Referenced State Contract Vendor through this resolution and a properly executed contract, which shall be subject to all conditions applicable to the current State contracts;

Vendor	State Contract #	Equipment	2021 Budgeted Amount
Beyer Ford	88727/T2100	Ford F250	\$44,760.00

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 Executive Director and the Qualified Purchasing Agent to purchase the above referenced Ford F250 from Beyer Ford, an approved New Jersey State Contract Vendor, subject to all conditions of the individual State contract; in an amount not to exceed \$44,760.00.

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

3. The duration of the said contract between the MCMUA and the Referenced State Contract Vendor shall be from **December 7, 2021** to **January 31, 2022**.

4. The MCMUA’s Executive Director, staff and consultants are authorized to take all necessary and appropriate actions to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday December 7, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Dorothea Kominos, Vice Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Mr. Guadagno made a Motion to Authorize The Use Of A State Purchasing Contract For Beyer Ford For 2021 and Mr. Hudzik seconded the Motion.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-101
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT
PROVIDING FOR CURBSIDE COLLECTION, TRANSPORTING, AND MARKETING
OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS BETWEEN THE MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MINE HILL COMMENCING ON
OR ABOUT JANUARY 1, 2022**

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 Mine Hill 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 by providing curbside pick-up and a convenient outlet for disposal of recyclables; and

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

WHEREAS, the MCMUA is authorized as a local unit pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, (L.2007, c.63, s.2.), to enter into a contract with any other local unit to provide or receive any service that each local unit participating in an agreement is empowered to provide or receive in its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the marketing of recyclable materials recovered through a recycling program is exempt from public bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(s); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4(a)(3)(b), any agreement entered into pursuant to this section shall be filed, for informational purposes, with the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs, by the Municipality, pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated by the director; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-5(c), the agreement shall take effect upon the adoption of appropriate resolutions by all the parties thereto, and execution of agreements authorized thereunder as set forth in the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA and the Township of Mine Hill desire to enter into a new agreement to provide for the curbside collection and marketing of recyclable materials commencing January 1, 2022 for one (1) year until December 31, 2022.

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

3. The Executive Director is authorized to execute said Agreement in substantially similar form as that on file in the office of the MCMUA.
4. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2) and N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(s) of the Local Public Contracts Law.
3. 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.
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 December 7, 2021.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Dorothea Kominos, Vice Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Mr. Hudzik made a Motion to Authorize The Execution Of An Agreement Providing For Curbside Collection, Transporting, And Marketing Of Recyclable Materials Between The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority And The Township of Mine Hill Commencing On Or About January 1, 2022 and Mr. Barry seconded the Motion.

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

RECYCLING REPORT:

Tonnage and Value – The October 2021 Republic statement was finalized in the amount of \$94,256.13. The per ton rate for single-stream was positive \$72.39, a decrease of \$4.33 in comparison to the rate of \$76.72 received in September 2021. The preliminary rate for single-stream will be provided to the Board at the December meeting.

Curbside Contract Proposals & Resolutions

Town of Boonton

On 11/5/2021, staff obtained and reviewed a copy of the Bid, for recycling collection services, from the Town of Boonton. Staff attended the bid opening on 12/1/2021 at which the Town received no submittals.. The town was looking for curbside recycling collection on Wednesdays (currently they receive collection every-other Thursday from the MCMUA). The MCMUA had previously provided a proposal to the Town to it planning on accepting bids. As of the writing of this report it is still uncertain what the Town will do.

Mine Hill Township

On 11/16/2021, staff sent an email to Marcie Istvan, Mine Hill Township Municipal Clerk and Kate Haroldson, Mayor’s Assistant, requesting confirmation that the agreement would be renewed. On 11/17/2021, Marcie replied that the agreement was schedule to be approved at the next Council meeting.

Staff received an email from Mine Hill Township Mayor Sam Morris on 12/1/21, requesting that the Shared Service agreement for curbside recycling collection services become effective 1/1/2022 and asked for a revision from a 5-year contract to a 1-year contract. A resolution will be presented at the December Board meeting for Board’s consideration and approval. With this new agreement, Mine Hill will be moving collection from a very busy 3-town Monday for the MCMUA to a more manageable Wednesday pickup.

A resolution to rescind Resolution No. 21-96, that was passed at the November Board meeting, for the use of a State Purchasing Contract for Beyer Ford, to purchase an F250 pickup truck, will be presented for Board approval. Unfortunately, the timeframe allotted for this purchase expired and was void by the time we tried the exercise this purchase.

To correct this purchasing matter, resolution for the use of a revised State Purchasing Contract for Beyer Ford, to purchase an F250 pickup truck, will be presented for Board consideration and approval at the December meeting.

The Marketing of Single/Dual Stream Recyclables request for quotations was issued on November 24, 2021 with submissions due on December 14, 2021. It is anticipated the Board will take action on the submissions at the January 2022 meeting. The current 1-year contracts with ReCommunity to recycle the MCMUA’s single and dual stream recyclables expire on January 25, 2022. The new RFP uses the same index-based pricing model of the existing contracts but adds the option to award these contracts for 5-year terms in addition to 1-year terms, at the discretion of the MCMUA.

Recycling Inspections & Education

On 11/3/2021, staff attended the New Jersey WasteWise webinar, with host Steve Rinaldi, NJ WasteWise Business Network Chairman. The speakers were: Theresa Andrejac Loux, Technical Director, Aero Aggregates North America; Liz Sweedy, Morris County Recycling Coordinator; Bill Schlenger, Director of Purchasing, Marcal Company; Dr. Nadereh Afsharmanesh, Vice President of Sustainability and Education, ECOS (Earth Friendly Products).

Liz Sweedy, gave a presentation on the successful school recycling inspection and education program the MCMUA began in 2019. She provided a detailed synopsis of the program. Liz said inspections uncover facts and flaws, which are used to educate the school about proper recycling.

On 11/3/2021, staff attended the virtual Whippany River Watershed Action Committee (WRWAC) meeting and presentation by Southeast Morris MUA on the Revised Lead & Copper Rule: Understanding What the Revisions Mean to Water Systems and Their Consumers, with Guest Presenters Clare Peragine and Drew Saskowitz.

On 11/5/21, staff spoke with Mike Drury, Morris County Buildings & Grounds, regarding the contaminated load (recyclables in plastic bags) that was recently brought to Republic Services from the recycling compactor at the Morris County Administration Building. Mike said he spoke to the cleaning staff and told them (reminded them again) that plastic bags are unacceptable and all recyclables must be loose in the compactor unit. Staff also discussed the problem of employees mixing trash and recyclables in their desk-side recycling bins. Mike will provide the MCMUA's single-stream flyers (acceptable and unacceptable) to all department heads at the Schuyler complex and request they be distributed to employees.

On 11/9/2021, staff accepted a request from Dom D'Altilio, Rutgers Certification Series, to be a presenter on 4/13/2021. The topic for the virtual class will be Morris County's procedure for inspections/education at multi-family dwellings (complexes).

On 11/15/21, staff conducted recycling inspections at three schools in Florham Park Borough.

- Briarwood Elementary School: food waste, plastic bags and plastic film in recycling dumpster
- Brooklake Elementary: plastic laminating pouches, tissues, napkins, paper plates and cups in recycling dumpster; lid on dumpster not closed (allowing moisture/rain/snow inside dumpster)
- Ridgedale Middle School; Wax paper wrapping, plastic straps from boxes in recycling dumpster; lid on dumpster not closed (allowing moisture/rain/snow inside dumpster)

Staff emailed inspection results and recommendations to Phil Infantalino, Facilities Director of Building and Grounds for the Florham Park Borough School District.

On 11/16/21, staff received a call from Chris Nowell, a teacher at Dover High School. Chris has been an advocate of recycling at the school for years. Staff has worked with him, the faculty and custodial staff several times to improve recycling at the Dover School District schools. Chris was concerned because he noticed that paper from the classrooms (which is mandated to be recycled) was being put into the trash. He contacted the school facilities director and was unable to resolve this issue through that department.

On 11/17/2021, staff spoke with Mr. Abraham, from IWS/Action Carting, about the lack of paper recycling at Dover High School. Staff asked to speak to the school's account manager, but he said that he would contact the school because he did not want to get a notice of violation at the transfer station, or a fine from the Morris County Office of Health Management. He was well versed in Morris County's Solid Waste Management Plan and the value of fiber. He called back and said that he spoke with the Director of Facilities' secretary, Vivian Rodriguez. He told her that paper must be recycled and that no plastic bags should go into the recycling dumpsters. Staff plans to meet with the facilities director and inspect recycling dumpsters in the near future with Bill Isselin, Municipal Recycling Coordinator (and Health Inspector) for the Town of Dover.

On 11/18/2021, staff inspected recycling dumpsters at the Stirling Manor multi-family complex in Long Hill Township. Staff met with the onsite superintendent, Tom Corrado, and pointed out unacceptable materials (contamination) in the recycling stream. Staff gave Tom single-stream signs, and "don't bag recycling" signs to post at disposal areas. Staff plans to meet with Tom and his assistant in the near future to go over guidelines and provide support.

On 11/18/2021, staff inspected the waste area at Centennial Village Condos in Long Hill Township. Staff had met with Marshall DeCristofaro, President of the Board, in January 2021 and had provided him with recycling information and requirements for the complex. He was not

available during this visit, but the waste area was well marked and stickered. The contents of the recycling dumpsters were quite clean. It was an improvement from the last inspection.

On 11/19/21, staff gave a virtual recycling presentation to two, third-grade classes at the Lake Hiawatha Elementary School in Parsippany-Troy Hills Township. The teacher, Susan Cure, requested the presentation about recycling because the students wanted to learn why it is important to recycle. Students were provided with recycling information and links to websites prior to the presentation in order to get an understanding about landfills and materials recovery facilities (MRF). Students were attentive during the presentation and asked excellent questions during the Q&A session. Staff was impressed by the good behavior and genuine interest in recycling!

On 10/29/2021, staff conducted a waste audit at the MCMUA's Mt. Olive Vegetative/Compost facility. Staff selected leaf bags from Netcong, Dover, Victory Gardens, Mt. Arlington, Lincoln Park, and Hopatcong (out of County generator/customer). Five bags from each municipality were randomly selected, marked and weighed. Staff spoke with the drivers from Lincoln Park and Netcong, who happened to be delivering material, and determined where in the town the material was generated (and collected).

Staff observed that bags filled with mulched grass/leaves had almost no contamination in them. Staff found some contaminants in an average of three out of five bags. Most contaminants had to do with objects found on a lawn, i.e., small fencing, plant stakes, candy wrappers, the handle from a wheelbarrow, mulching insert for a lawn mower, artificial flowers, hay for lining plant pots, annuals w/root soil balls, invasive phragmites, whole bag of apples, and solar lights. Staff will advise the five towns of the specific findings and request that they provide guidelines to residents and post on municipal websites.

Clean Communities

November Road Cleanups:

November 4, 2021: North Road in Chester Township (CR 513).

Bags of trash collected: 20

Bags of recyclables collected: 18

Total miles = 2.6 (5.2 linear)

November 9, 2021: Schooly's Mountain Road in Washington Township (CR 517).

Bags of trash collected: 10

Bags of recyclables collected: 6

11/30/21, staff attended the Clean Communities County Coordinators virtual meeting via Zoom. The agenda included the following:

- ✓ Clean Communities Coordinator Certification Credits
- ✓ December 15th Clean Communities Webinar
- ✓ 2022 NJCCC Certification training/Conference & Awards
- ✓ Plastic Bag Ban
 - Letter to Mayors
 - Bag Up NJ Website
 - Bag Up PSA
 - Bag Giveaway Programs
- ✓ Litterati: Zora Berman and Jeff Krischner provided a presentation about Litterati, a litter abatement program that offers an app to track litter. Their company's goal is to challenge and empower individuals to make a significant and measurable impact on the environment by identifying litter, removing/collecting litter and gathering data on the app. This includes where the litter was found, and exactly what types of litter are present. The company creates social media campaigns based upon the findings and inspires the public to get involved. County programs currently in place acquire municipal partners and local service organizations to recruit volunteers and join the campaign. Litterati intends to change littering behavior and instill a sense of community pride and

responsibility, which goes hand in hand with NJ Clean Communities objectives. JoAnn Gemenden, NJ Clean Communities Council Executive Director, and members of the Best Practices committee will be discussing how Litterati would best be utilized in Clean Communities programs in NJ. Montgomery County in Maryland and Wake County in North Carolina are currently active members.

Ms. Sweedy wished everyone a good Holiday Season. Good Health to All of You and Yours and a very Happy New Year, hoping that this New Year will bring us some more normal times and wishing everyone the best!

OLD BUSINESS:

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Gindoff gave an overview of the highlights accomplished by the MCMUA during 2021. He mentioned just to highlight on another happy note besides welcoming Tessa James to our family, also Christine Scano in our Account Payables just had a grandson, Joey, so we would like to welcome him to our family also. He mentioned that we had a very good year. It was very busy and a lot going on with the continued situation of the pandemic.

He mentioned the following highlights:

- (1) Doing a lot of improvements at all of our facilities this year.
- (2) In January, we finally added our fuel tanks back. We finally got the fuel tanks fully up and running a couple days ago, so it actually took about a year to get that approved. In addition, we had a very good first year of our Index Based Recycling Market Contract, which is hopefully coming in for a five-year turnaround next week. It ended up being a very good contract for us and we switched the way we calculate our recycling deal; with ReCommunity and it seemed to work quite well with us. Also in January, we started a big process of renewing all our towns with their recycling contracts and finalizing most of them. Also in January, we finalized the Markewicz Electric Project that took quite awhile and got that behind us. In addition, we just started our new Mascaro Contract at the beginning of this year.
- (3) In February, we renewed contracts with Chatham, Hanover and Wharton again. We did our Open Space Partnership with the property on Picatinny Road in Morris Township and we also welcomed Michael Guadagno to the Board.
- (4) In March, we ended up extending the Reduction Period with Southeast for a year, which was wonderful thing and we got Mike McAloon to help us with all the paving jobs that we took care of at Compost, HHW and Markewicz. We got Garcia to do finally start doing the Mt. Arlington Interconnection, which much like the fuel tank, pretty much got running today. We also finally accepted the Tipping Floor work at the Parsippany Transfer Station, the end of that long contract, which Tom was a major help in coming in the middle of that project and getting us finalized on that; that was wonderful. We also did the loader purchases that we decommissioned and talked about today and we two new loaders that we got great reimbursements for.
- (5) Awarded in April, we replaced our Steel Deck Scales at both Transfer Stations.
- (6) In May, we executed the amendment to the Water Agreement with N.J. American improving that challenging Water Agreement. That was a long time coming.
- (7) In June, we had a whole bunch of Change Orders and Purchasing, Engineering and Legal coordination. We accomplished a lot of good purchasing work this year. We are really getting in a good flow between the Consultant, Staff and Counsel, so we did a great job in procurement this year. A lot of site improvements, that procurement helped with that we approved. The modems that we have been talking about months after months, that is almost done.

But then with COVID continuing to hit and people moving, the waste flows kept skyrocketing and the Board did a wonderful job working with James and I and working with Mascaro in keeping garbage moving out of our facilities. It was very challenging in this year filled with the inability to find truck drivers but we navigated that well.

We also renewed our contract with NaturCycle, who has been helping us in doing great work at our Compost sites.

Speaking about procurement, we joined several Co-Ops this year which added to facilitating many procurements that seemed to go easily this year and a lot more inexpensive from the legal perspective. Sorry about that Brad, but you are in the loop all the way in helping us at every step of the way, which I can't appreciate enough for all you do.

Also adopted was the long-standing Open Space Plan with the help of Gene, Laura, and Alex McNulty and Anthony Marrone from our office. Happy we finally got that adopted.

In September, we were still dealing with Mascaro and third party haulers. We ordered a Stationary Compactor for Florham Park which is being installed next week and that is going to help us with our own trucking issues.

In October, we started doing our budgets, Public Hearings and we got our financials in order in record time. Great job by Larry and all Staff and certainly our Board Members getting us through the budget process.

In November, we got through all that and we also awarded a contract to Kirk Allen Trucking, who has been doing yeoman's work in helping us do our deliveries with compost and mulch. Marilyn has a great relationship with them and she has doing a great job getting us through our compost and mulch season working really well with all the residents who need their materials delivered and working great with Staff and Kirk Allen, making sure that is a successful program, as well as making sure that all these Board Meetings that we are talking about that come and go month after month and the business of the Authority gets taken care of. I appreciate that Marilyn.

We also did our Solid Waste Tours, which James just mentioned.

Now we are here in December trying to buy the truck we tried to buy last month that cost us \$9,000 extra. Apologize for that, but some things happen every now and then. At least we are moving forward with some of our contracts with Mine Hill. Some of the obstinate towns are realizing that we are the best ticket in town.

With that, Mr. Gindoff mentioned this is a summary of the year and wanted to say it was a busy year. We all did great work together, us and the Board, and look forward to more of it in 2022.

Thank you everyone and wish everyone a wonderful Holiday Season and hoping you all the best health and happiness to you and your families.

Ms. Sweedy thanked Larry Gindoff for his leadership and support. Could not do all this without Larry. Thank you.

Vice Chairwoman Kominos thanked Larry and all the Staff. Mr. Hudzik thanked all also. Mr. Gindoff thanked everyone.

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

PUBLIC PORTION:

Vice Chairwoman Kominos asked if there is any comments from the Public. 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, Vice Chairwoman Kominos asked for a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

MOTION: Mr. Hudzik made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m., seconded by Mr. Guadagno and carried unanimously.

Marilyn Regner
Secretary

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