

Minutes of the July 22, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting of the Southeastern Connecticut Regional Resources Recovery Authority Held at the Gales Ferry office & via Zoom

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 2:04 pm.

1. ROLL CALL

Joe Bragaw	East Lyme Representative	Р	Todd Babbitt	Griswold Representative	Р
Gary Schneider	Groton Representative	Р	John Phetteplace	Stonington Representative & Board President	Р
Joe Lozier	Ledyard Representative	Р			

P = Present, C=Call In (Audio), A=Absent

Quorum Present

Others: David Aldridge, SCRRRA Executive Director; Robin Cano, SCRRRA Operations Administrator; Chris Roman, SCRRRA Finance Manager; SCRRRA Legal Counsel Richard Barger, and SCRRRA Consultant Jim Bolduc.

3. ACT ON MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON MAY 27, 2021

Majority was in favor, none were opposed (Motion by Joe Bragaw, 2nd by Gary Schneider)

4. FINANCE REPORTS:

Dave Aldridge reviewed June's finance report.

Motion to authorize a transfer from the Tipping Fee Stabilization investment account to the SCRRA Operational account at Citizens for \$1,500,000.00.

Discussion: none

Majority was in favor, none were opposed.

(Motion by John Phetteplace, 2nd by Joe Lozier)

5. President/Staff Reports:

I. Organics Project Update

David Aldridge informed us that the Organics test is continuing to perform very well. We added the last load of food waste last Friday and are now a full 2 weeks into the 8-week project. The pile is cooking at over 150 degrees, well above the 131 degrees needed to kill pathogens. In 2 weeks, we will turn the pile and send a second sample to the STA lab for analysis. The first test came back with promising results. Earlier this week we sent out a press release which we shared with the Board yesterday. Jim Bolduc and Mr. Aldridge reviewed the first iteration for a

design and build and Mr. Aldridge hopes to have a draft document for review in an upcoming meeting. On another front, we were awarded the USDA grant that we submitted with CET for food waste reduction education in our public schools. The grant is a one-year program beginning in October. Mr. Aldridge plans on having a detailed description for the August Board Meeting.

II.FEMA Emergency Brush Collection

Mr. Aldridge told us we have been working with Frank Gagliardo of DEEP to get the property next to the Preston Plant designated as an emergency consolidation point for SCRRRA towns in case of a state declared disaster. He has validated that SCRRRA, as a regional authority, can request temporary permits for disaster debris recovery just as a municipality can. Mr. Aldridge has Winston Averill running to ground any steps that we need to take to be prepared to act quickly in case severe weather occurs. Once all plans are set, we will notify all towns of the site and contact information for its use.

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Real Estate Matters

Discussion: none Majority was in favor, none were opposed. (Motion by Joe Lozier, 2nd by John Phetteplace)

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

7. New Business:

Motion to hire a company for an appraisal

Discussion: none Majority was in favor, none were opposed. (Motion by Joe Lozier, 2nd by John Phetteplace)

ADJOURNMENT

John Phetteplace asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was made by Joe Bragaw and seconded by Gary Schneider.

There being no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary Schneider

Secretary