



**Minutes of the September 14, 2022, Board Meeting of the
Southeastern Connecticut Regional Resources Recovery Authority
Held at the Gales Ferry Office & via Zoom**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Joe Bragaw called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Joe Bragaw	East Lyme Representative	P	Bob Carlson	North Stonington Representative	A
	East Lyme Alternate			North Stonington Alternate	
Kevin Seery	Representative	A	Don Hill	Representative	P
Todd Babbitt	Griswold Representative	P	Patrick McLaughlin	Norwich Representative	P
				Norwich Alternate	
Stacey Leitch	Groton Representative	P	Brian Long	Representative	A
Joe Lozier	Ledyard Representative	A	Sandra Allyn-Gauthier	Preston Representative	A
	Ledyard Alternate				
Steve Masalin	Representative	A	Jim Corley	Preston Alternate Representative	P
Ronald McDaniel	Montville Representative	P	Cheryl Blanchard	Sprague Representative	P
John Carlson	Montville Alternate	A	Paul Copenhagen	Sprague Alternate Representative	A
	New London				
Brian Sear	Representative	P	Jill Senior	Stonington Representative	P
	New London Alternate				
David DeNoia	Representative	A	Gary Schneider	Waterford Representative	P
				Waterford Alternative	
			Daniel Matheson	Representative	A

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

Quorum present

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

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

NONE

4. ACT ON MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON AUGUST 10, 2022

Majority was in favor; none were opposed.

(Motion by Ron McDaniel, 2nd by Todd Babbitt)

5. FINANCE REPORTS

Dave Aldridge reviewed July's Finance Report
(Motion by Ron McDaniel, 2nd by Pat McLaughlin)

6. PRESIDENT'S / STAFF REPORTS

PROJECT:

I. Election of Officers - Nominating Committee

President - Joe Bragaw - East Lyme Representative

1st Vice President - Todd Babbitt - Griswold Representative

2nd Vice President - Stacey Ohlmann Leitch - Groton Representative

Secretary - Gary Schneider - Waterford Representative

Treasurer - Patrick McLaughlin - Norwich Representative

Motion to Accept this Slate of Nominations

Discussion: None

Majority were in favor, none were opposed

(Motion Ron McDaniel, 2nd Cheryl Blanchard)

II. Year-end Financial results

Mr. Aldridge went over the year end financial report. SCRRRA's total net loss for Year End FY 2022 is \$3,136,000 which is even with plan. Before interest & dividend income we were \$268,000 or 5% better than plan. Revenue was \$7,903,000 which is 2% better than plan. MSW expense was up \$1,900 or even with plan, recycling was \$237,000 or 18% under plan, note: the mid contract adjustment was added in at the Casella rate of \$29.39 which provided \$88,000 in revenue. Operating accounts significantly under plan were Administration \$37,000, and Landfill expense \$40,000. Accounts over plan were HHW \$41,000, Compost Test \$20,000, Service and Maintenance \$37,000, Fuel \$37,000, and Mulch Hauling \$64,000.

MSW tonnage was up 2,819 tons or 2%, recycling down 615 or 3% under plan. We have submitted the FY 2022 records to our Auditing firm to begin working on our year-end audit, a draft of which should be prepared by our December Board Meeting.

Motion to Approve End of Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

Discussion: None

Majority were in favor, none were opposed

(Motion Pat McLaughlin, 2nd Stacey Leitch)

III. Year-End Operational Results

Mr. Aldridge referred to the paperwork package where there is a recap of each town and the SCRRRA total for FY 2022. We had issues with the HHW tabulation and will post the final version to our Town Web Portal when complete. We will also post the trailing two years so you can analyze trends.

IV. Standing Committees

Mr. Aldridge stated that the coming years will present numerous challenges, some of them existential. He is recommending this structure as a way to ensure we meet those challenges in the best way possible.

IV. Mixed Recycling Contamination

Mr. Aldridge informed us that on August 24th he spent the morning at Casella and watched their process for auditing inbound loads for Trash Residue. They had two loads that they had isolated, one from the Montville Transfer Station, one curbside pickup from Norwich. The Willimantic Facility has three inspectors assigned to auditing, they plan to audit 10-12 loads per day. For the last 3 weeks they have only audited SCRRRA loads in order to create a beginning database of information that we can use. Additionally, he met Devon Spector, Casella's Environmental Manager, who is responsible for their DEEP compliance for inbound auditing and notifying municipalities of loads over 2% contamination. He offered to help us in our efforts and promised to send examples of media that they have used successfully in other campaigns.

New Business

None

Executive Session

Motion to move into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Alignment

Time In: 3:01PM

Discussion: None

**Majority were in favor, none were opposed
(Motion Ron McDaniel, 2nd Don Hill)**

Motion to leave Executive Session

Time Out: 3:34PM

Discussion: None

**Majority were in favor, none were opposed
(Motion Brian Sear, 2nd Don Hill)**

Motion to add \$10,000 salary and rename the Administrative Assistant position to Administrative Coordinator. Subject to extra responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Director

Discussion: None

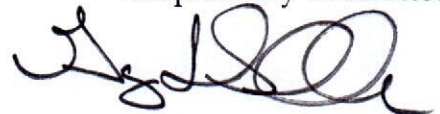
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ADJOURNMENT

Joe Bragaw requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion to adjourn was made by Ron McDaniel and Don Hill seconded and was approved unanimously.

There being no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gary Schneider
Secretary