

# Minutes of the May 10, 2023, 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 2:01 pm.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Joe Bragaw	East Lyme Representative	P	Bob Carlson	North Stonington Representative	A
Kevin Seery	East Lyme Alternate Representative	A	Don Hill	North Stonington Alternate Representative	A
Todd Babbitt	Griswold Representative	P	Patrick McLaughlin	Norwich Representative	P
Stacey Leitch	Groton Representative	P	Brian Long	Norwich Alternate Representative	A
Joe Lozier	Ledyard Representative	A	Sandra Allyn- Gauthier	Preston Representative	A
Steve Masalin	Ledyard Alternate Representative	P	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
Brian Sear	New London Representative	Р	Jill Senior	Stonington Representative	P
David DeNoia	New London Alternate Representative	A	Gary Schneider	Waterford Representative	P
			Daniel Matheson	Waterford Alternative 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 and Kristen Brown from Waste Zero

# 3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION AND CORRESPONDENCE NONE

# 4. ACT ON MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON APRIL 12, 2023 Majority was in favor; none were opposed. (Motion by Ron McDaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Masalin)

#### 5. FINANCE REPORTS

Dave Aldridge reviewed March's Finance Report (Motion by Ron McDaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary Schneider)

Motion to move Kristen Brown to the top of the Agenda Discussion: None
Majority were in favor, none were opposed
(Motion Stacey Leitch, 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Masalin)

#### 6. PRESIDENT'S / STAFF REPORTS

PROJECT:

#### **I.Sub Committee Updates**

#### Financial Planning Committee

Mr. Aldridge referred to the paperwork package where there is a draft Future Service Fee Strategy that was discussed in the last Finance Committee Meeting on April 18th. There have been several changes to the document as a result of that meeting.

- The years 2024, 2030 and 2031 were added to the analysis.
- o Town recycling support is now listed by line item.

#### • Human Resource Committee

Mr. Aldridge will be asking the HR Committee to meet to finalize the Employee Handbook.

#### Waste Diversion Committee

Mr. Aldridge said that the Waste Diversion Committee met on April 20<sup>th</sup>. We discussed chip hauling but deferred discussion on developing a policy until the entire Committee was present. We discussed DEEP regulations regarding windrowing of chips and seaweed. We also discussed an update of the recycling contamination pilot project with Prairie Robotics as well as an update on the Stonington food waste collection project. Discussion regarding textiles was tabled for the May meeting. Since that meeting Stonington has begun a film plastic diversion pilot project.

#### Special Projects Committee

Mr. Aldridge informed us that the Special Projects Committee met on the 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss the potential for an organics project. We first reviewed an update of the two potential sites for a facility, North Stonington and our Preston property. We have contacted the North Stonington property owner with a letter suggesting lease terms. For the Preston property Rich has contacted an attorney regarding a quote on the cost of zoning assistance.

## II.New Service Request Ticketing System

Liz Sawyer went over a brief overview of our new ticketing system.

#### III.Review of Town Survey

The Board went over the 12 Town Survey Report.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Stacey Leitch inquired about the Tub Grinding Report. It was previously stated that a monthly Tub Grinding Report would be created. Mr. Aldridge said that we could and will make this happen.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Joe Bragaw requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion to adjourn was made by Ron McDaniel and seconded by Stacey Leitch and was approved unanimously. There being no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary Schneider Secretary