



**Minutes of the December 13, 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 2:02 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	P
Todd Babbitt	Griswold Representative	P	Patrick McLaughlin	Norwich Representative	A
Stacey Leitch	Groton Representative	P	Brian Long	Norwich Alternate Representative	P
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	A	Cheryl Blanchard	Sprague Representative	P
John Carlson	Montville Alternate	A	Paul Copenhagen	Sprague Alternate Representative	A
Brian Sear	New London Representative	P	Jill Senior	Stonington Representative	P
Steve Lee	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; Chris 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 NOVEMBER 08, 2023

Majority was in favor; none were opposed.

(Motion by Brian Sear, 2nd by Stacey Leitch)

5. FINANCE REPORTS

Dave Aldridge reviewed October's Finance Report
(Motion by Don Hill 2nd by Gary Schneider)

6. PRESIDENT'S / STAFF REPORTS

PROJECT:

❖ **Review of Reserve Accounts**

Mr. Aldridge referred to the draft Reserve Account Adjustment. In this process we draw down the existing FY22 balances by the corresponding FY23 actual expenditures, then bring the overall balance in line with year-end numbers. Once approved by the full Board these calculations will be recorded in our Annual Financial Statements. The Executive Committee voted to recommend acceptance at our November meeting.

Motion to Approve Reserve Fund Proposal with Changes Stated

Discussion: None

Majority were in favor, none were opposed.

(Motion Stacey Leitch, 2nd Steve Masalin)

❖ **Grants Update**

Mr. Aldridge stated that we were contacted by the USDA to inform us that we have been awarded their Composting and Food Waste Reduction grant. Our request was for \$400,000. Mr. Aldridge has been in communication with DEEP to make sure that food waste diversion and composting be included in their plan. DEEP has responded that they intend to write our project into their plan as an example.

❖ **Healthcare**

Mr. Aldridge is planning to move SCRRRA's corporate health plan to a Medicare supplemental plan next year. Mr. Aldridge is asking the Board to apply the same health benefit that he currently has to the Medicare program which would result in annual savings to the Authority of between \$10,000 and \$15,000 annually.

❖ **Committee Updates**

▪ **Finance Committee**

Mr. Aldridge informed us that he is currently working on an Op Ed regarding the cost of the solid waste crisis to be published before the start of the legislative session.

8. **BOARD MEMBER SHARE**

Joe Bragaw would like the collective goals for 2024 put on the agenda to be ready for our next Board Meeting.

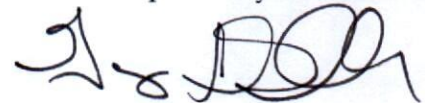
NEW BUSINESS

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

Joe Bragaw requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion to adjourn was made by Steve Masalin and seconded by Brian Long and was approved unanimously. There being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary Schneider', written in a cursive style.

Gary Schneider
Secretary