

RUTLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
September 1, 2021 at 6:30pm

Web Conference Link posted on the District website, www.rcswd.com,
and the District Facebook page for public attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brandon	Gabe McGuigan	Pittsfield	Ann Kuendig
Castleton	Tim Gilbert*	Pittsford	Nancy Gaudreau
Clarendon	Dave Potter	Pittsford (Alt.)	
Danby		Poultney	Paul Donaldson
Hubbardton		Proctor	
Ira	Larry Taggart*	Rutland City	Bill Gillam*
Killington		Rutland City	
Mendon	Susannah Loffredo*	Wallingford	
Mount Holly	Clint Woolley	Wells	
Mount Holly (Alt.)	Jeff Chase	West Rutland	Chet Brown
Mount Tabor			

*** = E-Board Members**

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mark Shea , RCSWD Manager	Gregory Giles , RCSWD Treasurer
Brian Beaudoin , Sanborn / Head	Jonathan Grace , Sanborn / Head

- **CALL BOARD VIRTUAL MEETING TO ORDER.**
 - Mr. Taggart asked if the quorum requirements had been met, Mr. Giles confirmed as such. Mr. Taggart called the meeting to order at 6:36pm.
- **APPROVE PRIOR MEETING MINUTES.**
 - Ms. Gaudreau moved to approve minutes of the February 17, 2021 and June 2, 2021 meetings of the Board of Supervisors, in the form presented within the provided meeting materials. Mr. Gillam provided the second and the motion to accept both sets of minutes as presented - passed unanimously.
- **MRF STORMWATER PROJECT UPDATE.**
 - Mr. Shea revisits prior details as a refresher and general overview of the issue. He noted that the initial estimate to bring the MRF property into compliance with State of Vermont regulation was approximately \$50,000. Mr. Grace of Sanborn & Head explained, via a shared PowerPoint presentation, that due to numerous technical hurdles inherent to the property itself, as well as subsequent guidance handed down by the State in regard to previously ambiguous language with certain requirements

and clarity on acceptable remediation. As a result, the cost estimate for the complete project is roughly \$350,000 to \$400,000 over a 5-year period to conform with the State's rules and reach an acceptable level of compliance. Discussion continued around the American Rescue Recovery Act / Covid bill which may provide grant funding to help offset some costs.

- Mr. Potter inquired as to how many drain systems would be required and installed for the quoted amount. Mr. Grace explained that the project would require between 7 and 9 drainage / treatment systems installed within the MRF property.
 - Mr. Gillam asked about the possibility of tapping into the Rutland City Wastewater Treatment Plant to deal with MRF stormwater run-off. Mr. Beaudoin reminded the Board that this possibility had been previously explored, but the logistics of such a system would be difficult to impossible to implement, and almost certainly cost prohibitive.
 - Ms. Kuendig noted that the Town of Pittsfield has Federal grant funding from the Department of Treasury set aside earmarked for stormwater runoff mitigation, however the town has no applicable infrastructure to which the funding could be directed. She suggested Pittsfield might consider a direct subsidy of those funds to RCSWD in order to offset some of the cost of the project. Several Board members expressed their appreciation of the idea and an interest in pursuing this further.
 - Mr. Taggart gives thanks on behalf of the Board to Mr. Beaudoin and Mr. Grace of Sanborn / Head for their updates and presentation.
- **DRAFT 2021 RCSWD MANAGEMENT PLAN.**
 - Mr. Shea discussed the revised 2021 Management Plan, noting that the Board had previously reviewed in depth, but that some minor updates and typo corrections have been since noted.
 - Mr. Shea noted the Board voted to approve and send to the State of VT such that they can provide input for back and forth, and/or approval, noting the December expiration.
 - Mr. Taggart moves to fix typos, Ms. Kuendig provides the Second, the motion passes unanimously.
 - Mr. Gilliam moved approved the Management Plan and send it to the State for approval. Ms. Loffredo provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.
- **JULY MONTHLY FINANCIALS & MANAGERS REPORT.**
 - Mr. Shea noted that Revenues are up approximately \$67k – which is 2% above budget. Expenses are lower than Revenues, for net positive operations.
 - Mr. Shea reviews some bullet points from the meeting materials, notably related to HHW program deficits as pertaining to in district vs. non district. Also disposal costs for HHW contributing to increased costs in the program.
 - Cost for disposal of Asphalt Shingles has dramatically raised. Mr. Shea presented a proposal to adjust HHW commercial cost and to add a charge to non-district residential permit holds equal to the districts cost. Mr. Taggart indicated that the E-Board will be looking into this soon.

- Mr. Shea indicated that the ECO/AmeriCorps intern will be joining us on or about 9-20-2021. Also, Dominic LaVoice has submitted his notice and will be leaving us on 9-13-2021. He has been with us many years and will be missed.
- Mr. Taggart offers his thanks for the update on financials and Manager's report.
- PUBLIC COMMENT.
 - Mr. Taggart asks if any members of the public are in attendance. None were.
- ADJOURN
 - Mr. Brown moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Donaldson provided the second and the motion to adjourn passed unanimously at 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory Giles - Treasurer

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