



# RIVANNA SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY

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## RSWA BOARD OF DIRECTORS Minutes of Regular Meeting October 27, 2008

A regular meeting of the Rivanna Solid Waste Authority (RSWA) Board of Directors was held on Monday, October 27, 2008 at 2:45 p.m. in the Conference Room, Administration Building, 695 Moores Creek Lane, Charlottesville, Virginia.

**Board Members Present:** Mr. Michael Gaffney - Presiding, Mr. Mark Graham, Ms. Judith Mueller, Mr. Gary O'Connell, and Mr. Robert Tucker.

**Authority Staff Present:** Mr. Bruce Edmonds, Mr. Tom Frederick, Ms. Mary Knowles, Ms. Jennifer Whitaker, Dr. Robert Wichser, and Mr. Lonnie Wood.

**Also Present:** Mr. Alden English - RSWA Attorney (sitting in for Mr. Kurt Krueger), Mr. Phil McKalips – RSWA consultant with Environmental Standards, members of the public, and media representatives.

### 1.0 Call to Order

The regular meeting of the RSWA Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Gaffney on Monday, October 27, 2008 at 2:45 p.m., and he noted that a quorum was present.

### 2.0 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

**Mr. Graham moved that the Board of Directors vote to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Monday, September 22, 2008, seconded by Mr. Tucker. The motion was approved by a 5 – 0 vote.**

### 3.0 Executive Director's Report

Mr. Frederick first reported that included in today's Consent Agenda were some statistics from the commercial hazardous waste, household hazardous waste, and the Bulky Waste Amnesty Days that were conducted during the recent fall special collection events.

Mr. Frederick next stated that during the second week of October 2008 a windshield survey was conducted on the use of the McIntire facility, which included the number of vehicles entering the facility and whether they were from the City, the County, or another locality. The results of that survey are also available under the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Frederick then reported on the "long-awaited" project to install new leachate collection systems for Cell 3-Lined and Cell 3-Unlined at the closed Ivy Landfill. As discussed in his written report, the first leachate collection line has been installed. He just received an update from Mr. Phil McKalips, RSWA consultant with Environmental Standards who is in attendance today, that the second of three "bore holes" is near completion. The work on this project is progressing ahead of schedule.

At the conclusion of Mr. Frederick's report, Ms. Mueller inquired if there would be the ability to measure the amount of leachate that is being withdrawn from those cells. Mr. McKalips confirmed that the leachate would be measured, but the type of flow meter used would depend upon the amount of leachate being removed from those cells.

#### **4.0 Items from the Public**

There were no items from the public.

#### **5.0 Consent Agenda**

Mr. Gaffney asked if there were any items that the Board members would like to pull for discussion from the Consent Agenda.

- 5a) Staff Report on Finance**
- 5b) Staff Report on Ivy Material Utilization Center**
- 5c) Staff Report on Recycling Operations**
- 5d) Staff Report on Ivy Landfill Environmental Status**
- 5e) Additional Holiday Time Off**

In regards to **Item 5a), Staff Report on Finance**, Ms. Mueller asked Mr. Wood if the expenses for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection were included in the year-to-date figure for "Recycling Operations" on page 1 of the report. Mr. Wood replied that those expenses had been incorporated into this month's financial summary.

In regards to **Item 5b), Staff Report on Ivy Material Utilization Center**, Ms. Mueller next inquired about the total cost of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection held on September 20, 2008. Mr. Wood stated that the cost for one event is \$25,000. Ms. Mueller also asked about the Commercial Hazardous Waste Collection and her understanding that it was a fee-based program and RSWA did not subsidize the event. Mr. Wood replied that her statement was correct.

In regard to **Item 5c), Staff Report on Recycling Operations**, Ms. Mueller questioned how a windshield survey could be conducted since decals are no longer required in all jurisdictions. Mr. Frederick responded that McIntire staff obtained this information verbally from its patrons. Mr. Frederick next asked if the data from the windshield survey was still of value to the Board. Mr. Mueller responded positively and added that she would be interested to learn from the next survey whether the material being brought to the McIntire facility by City residents was commercial or residential. She offered to provide her staff's assistance with this type of survey since she felt it would be valuable information to provide to the City Council. Mr. Gaffney then commented that he was a City resident who did not participate in the curbside collection program due to the small amount of material that he generated, which he brought to the McIntire facility. Ms. Mueller informed him that the City provides recycling bins free to its residents.

**Mr. Graham moved that the Board of Directors vote to approve Items 5a), b), c), d), and e) of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. O'Connell. The motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

**6.0 Other Business**

There were no Other Business items this month.

**7.0 Other Items from Board/Staff not on Agenda**

There were no other items from Board or staff not on the agenda.

**8.0 Closed Meeting**

There was no need for a closed meeting.

**9.0 Adjournment**

**There being no further business, Ms. Mueller moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Mr. Graham. All members voted aye, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:52 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Mr. Gary O'Connell  
Secretary - Treasurer