

# DUTCHESS COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY

## DECEMBER 16, 2021 – MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency convened at 4:30 p.m. at the offices of the Agency located at 96 Sand Dock Road, Poughkeepsie, New York. Those present included W. Nussbickel, Chairman; D. Petrovits, Vice-Chairman; S. Tinkelman, Treasurer; V. DiMaso, Board Member; Agency Staff, L. Carille and D. Walsh.

- 1. Regular Session** – Chairman W. Nussbickel called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm.
- 2. Minutes** – Chairman W. Nussbickel presented the minutes of the June 17, 2021 board meeting. A motion to approve the June 17, 2021 board meeting minutes was made by S. Tinkelman, seconded by D. Petrovits and unanimously carried. Chairman W. Nussbickel presented the minutes of the October 21, 2021 board meeting. A motion to approve the October 21, 2021 board meeting minutes was made by S. Tinkelman, seconded by V. DiMaso and unanimously approved.
- 3. Balanced Scorecard Report** - L. Carille stated that the pit is near capacity. The Facility has been receiving plenty of waste. Royal was asked to hold back and divert some of their waste. Both boilers ran well all month with no downtime. The Facility has not been able to catch up on the high volume of incoming waste. The permit allows a 450 ton per day burn limit. The electric and metals guarantees were not met. There were no ash penalties this month. The submitted invoice for \$862,464.50 is considered complete and approved for payment to WIN Waste Innovations.
- 4. Agency Financial Report** – The payables were presented in the amount of \$1,110,300.17. S. Tinkelman inquired about the Central Hudson bill for \$9,500.73. L. Carille replied that it is the monthly service charge for hookup fees from the plant to the substation. WIN Waste Innovations pays all but 25 percent of those utility expenses and that it is applied on their monthly invoice to the Agency.

There were no further questions regarding the Financials. A motion to approve the payables for \$1,110,300.17 was made by S. Tinkelman, seconded by D. Petrovits and unanimously approved.

L. Carille stated that the year-to-date net service fee remains in the black, a balance of (\$721,340).

- 5. Other Business** – The Facility's Title V permit renewal remains in the approval process as it will be subject to public comment before final approval is granted from the NYSDEC. The letter for the "Notice of Complete Application" from the NYSDEC should be arriving soon and the Agency will then publish the notice in the newspaper as so requested.

L. Carille stated that she is waiting to receive the extensions for the legal and engineering contracts for 2022. Resolutions will be presented at the next board meeting.

Discussion continued over the trash crisis and the seriousness of what to do with it if it continues to grow as it is. This Facility continues to handle the maximum MSW it can and will continue as long as the Facility can be maintained. The Board is aware, concerned and recommended L. Carille draft a letter addressing the issue to the NYSDEC. All Board members will review and comment on the letter before it is sent. There will also be a committee formed for further discussions and solutions over the crisis.

6. **Personnel** – L. Carille spoke of the one-time bonus given to the County of Dutchess employees for working through the 2020 pandemic and asked the Board's approval for a one-time bonus for Agency employees. A motion was made by D. Petrovits, seconded by S. Tinkelman and unanimously carried for a \$1,000 bonus for full time and a \$500 bonus for part-time Agency employees. The Board also approved payment for ten unused vacation days for D. Walsh.

7. **Public Comment** – There was no public comment.

With no further business to discuss, at 5:15 pm a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by D. Petrovits, seconded by V. DiMaso and unanimously carried.