

CHESTER COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY

Regular Meeting — East Caln

February 26, 2015

1. **Call to Order.** Bob Schoenberger, Chairman, called the February 26, 2015 *Regular Meeting* of the Chester County Solid Waste Authority to order at 5:30 p.m.

Authority Members Present

Bob Schoenberger
Ramsey G. DiLibero
Vince Carosella
E. Joel Martin
Peter Marroletti
Peter Knipe

Authority Members Absent

Kim Venzie

Management and Staff Present

Robert A. Watts
Mike Magrann
Owen Esterly

Solicitor

James C. Sargent, Esquire

2. **Chairman's Announcements/Public Comments.**

The Chairman said there would only be one meeting in March and it would be the 26th at Lanchester.

3. **Meeting Minutes:** Mr. DiLibero moved and Mr. Carosella seconded the approval of the Combined Session Minutes from the December 18, 2014 Meeting and the Combined Session Minutes from the January 22, 2015 Meeting. The vote was unanimous.

4. **Executive Director's Report**

C. Solid Waste News: Mr. Watts said the first article in this section was concerning the Florida Keys trying out gasification of yard waste for 30 months. The next article in this section was concerning that the City of Philadelphia has approved a bill that they hope will recycle 150,000 tons per year of food waste from restaurants.

E. Groundwater & Stormwater Memo: Mr. Watts said he added four graphs to this section this week. He first said - we have tested the Area D Landfill's leachate 105 times and there has not been a detection of mercury in the leachate. Mr. Watts said we have tested the leachate holding tank 78 times for mercury and have not detected mercury 78% of the time with an average concentration of 0.49 ug/l when it was detected. The Municipal Site Landfill's leachate was tested 72 times and was non-detect for mercury 82% of the time with an average concentration of 0.72 ug/l. The Area B Landfill leachate was sampled 385 times and was non-detect for mercury 97% of the time with an average concentration of 0.77 ug/l when detected. The Area C Landfill leachate was tested 187 times and was non-detect for mercury 94% of the time with an average concentration of 1.27 ug/l. Mr. Watts said it was interesting that less than a handful of times out of the almost 1,000 sampling events was the mercury that was detected in the leachate above drinking water standards.

I. Chester County Waste Destinations 4th Quarter 2014: Mr. Watts said the first item in this section was a graph comparing Chester County tonnages from the PADEP reports. Mr. Watts said both the 4th quarter and the year to year comparison showed an increase in waste produced by Chester County and the amount of waste disposed of at the Lanchester Landfill.

6. Facility Engineer's Report

F. MSE Wall Repair Claim, February 19, 2015: The following documents were presented to the Board regarding Sevenson's February 19, 2015 claim concerning alleged "MSE berm repairs":

- CCSWA memorandum dated February 25, 2015;
- ARM's memorandum dated February 26, 2015;
- Sevenson's claim letter dated February 19, 2015 requesting a \$686,924 increase in the contract amount and a seven week increase in the contract time.

Both memoranda concluded that the claim lacks merit.

G. Cleaning Of LFG Lines Claim, February 20, 2015: The following documents were presented to the Board regarding Sevenson's February 20, 2015 claim concerning alleged "Additional Cleaning of LFG Lines":

- CCSWA memorandum dated February 25, 2015;
- ARM's memorandum dated February 26, 2015;
- Sevenson's claim letter dated February 20 19, 2015 requesting a \$249,505 increase in the contract amount and a 21 day increase in the contract time.

Both memoranda concluded that the claim lacks merit.

H. Low Permeability Soil Claim, February 20, 2015: The following documents were presented to the Board regarding Sevenson's February 20, 2015 claim concerning "Low Permeability Soil":

- CCSWA memorandum dated February 25, 2015;
- ARM's memorandum dated February 26, 2015;
- Sevenson's claim letter dated February 20, 2015 requesting a \$220,566 increase in the contract amount and a three week increase in the contract time.

Both memoranda concluded that the claim lacks merit.

7. Water Management's Report

A. Monthly Activity Report: Mr. Watts there were two typos that were corrected in this section.

B. 2014 NPDES Compliance Inspection Report: This section included a copy of the December 9, 2014 inspection that had no violations or concerns.

C. UF Membrane Replacement & Engineering Support: Mr. Marroletti moved and Mr. DiLibero seconded awarding the EarthRes Engineering and Science proposal for the UF Membrane & Engineering Support for \$44,500.

8. Compliance Officer's Report

A. Monthly Activity Report: Mr. Watts said Ms. Devine added a spreadsheet as requested from the proposals for Hydrogeological Services. The results were that there were twelve proposers whose project costs ranged from \$14,600 to \$32,700. This project was awarded to the lowest bidder last month – ARM Group Inc for \$14,600.

10. Business Manager's Report

E. Large Dollar Check Approvals 2/20/15-2/26/15: Mr. Magrann presented the Large Dollar Invoices (from February 20, 2015 thru February 26, 2015) totaling \$243,938.35 per the attached schedule 10 E. Mr. Marroletti made a motion to accept the Large Dollar Invoices as presented; Mr. Carosella seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote, with the understanding / agreement that the Sevenson check in the amount of \$183,669.94 should be paid.

H. Sevenson Payment Issue Snapshot – Revised: Mr. Magrann presented a revised informational snapshot review on the current status of payments made / potential damages which could be assessed under the Sevenson Contract. This review reflected pending Sevenson Billings thru January 2015.

I. Review Of Transfer Of Close/Post Closure Fund To Third Party Investment

Fund: Mr. Magrann presented an informational snapshot review on the current status of closure / post closure investments held primarily by the State of Pennsylvania to collateralize the annual worksheets presented to the PA DEP. In addition, a summary of proposals received to have an outside firm manage the Investment Funds was presented. Mr. Knipe made a motion to continue pursuing information gathering regarding outside firms managing the investment funds, and it was agreed that Mr. Knipe and Mr. Marroletti would meet with Mr. Magrann in the next week to further review and consider alternatives. This motion was unanimously accepted by the Board.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Prepared by,

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