

# Mid Michigan Waste Authority Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

9:30 am – Monday, February 13, 2017 Thomas Twp Public Safety Building – 8215 Shields Dr/Thomas Twp

The following are the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mid Michigan Waste Authority (Authority), a Michigan Municipal Corporation, located in Saginaw County, Michigan, held Monday, February 13, 2017, at the Thomas Township Public Safety Building, Saginaw, Michigan, pursuant to written notice served on the members of the Authority and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

### Welcome and Public Comment

Chair Grunwell called the meeting to order at 9:32 am. Public comment solicited – no public present.

# II. Pledge of Allegiance

#### III. Member Attendance Roll

25 present – quorum achieved

#### Members Present

Bethany Twp/C. Morris		Lakefield Twp/D. Rohn
Village of Birch Run/P. Moore		Maple Grove Twp/C. Bishop
Brady Twp/D. Cook	alt	Marion Twp/S. Goschka
Brant Twp/P. Cooper		Village of Merrill/N. Brown
Bridgeport Twp/R. Licht		Richland Twp/A. Reno
Buena Vista Twp/W. Butler		City of Saginaw/P. Karwat
Carrollton Twp/M. Pilkington		Saginaw Twp/H. Grunwell
Chapin Twp/B. Radabaugh		St. Charles Twp/T. Sargent
Chesaning Twp/F. Kukulis		Swan Creek Twp/S. Golden
Fremont Twp/D. LaClair		Thomas Twp/R. Taylor
James Twp/E. Hak		Tittabawassee Twp/T. Metiva
Jonesfield Twp/R. Siler	alt	Wheeler Twp/J. Rohde
Kochville Twp/J. Loiacano		

## Members Absent

Albee Twp/J. Wasmiller	Frankenmuth Twp/T. Hildner
Birch Run Twp/R. Letterman	Village of St. Charles/M. Lane
Blumfield Twp/K. Huber	Spaulding Twp/E. Masters
Village of Breckenridge/C. Seeley	City of Zilwaukee/J. Zittel
City of Frankenmuth/B. Smith	

# Staff / Guests / Public

Staff: K. Tessin/Administrative Director; M. Johnson/Customer Service Representative; K. Guinn/Customer Service Representative; Carol Somers/Community Engagement Officer; no public or guests in attendance.

Chair Grunwell welcomed the new trustees and alternates who were attending their first board meeting: Chapin Twp/Radabaugh, Jonesfield Twp/Siler, and Maple Grove/Bishop, and all attendees introduced themselves.

## IV. Review Minutes and Other Information

## A. Approve Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the December 12, 2016, MMWA Board of Trustees meeting were provided in the meeting packet.

Motion by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, seconded by Thomas Twp/Taylor, to approve the December 12, 2016, meeting minutes as presented.

Passed unanimously

# V. Program Items; Information &/or Approval

# A. CCRC/Special Waste Drop Off Days Update

Katharine Tessin/Administrative Director provided an update on plans for MMWA's 2017 Household Special Waste Programming. The proposed schedule includes one e-waste drop-off day per month; two paint days; and one household hazardous waste day. Based on data from last year's events, the schedule has been reduced by one e-waste day and one paint day per month. There will be one evening event in August and one Saturday event in September to accommodate residents who are unable to attend weekday daytime collections. MMWA has confirmed that its e-waste vendor, SVRC Industries, will be able to provide free recycling of accepted electronics, including CRT televisions and monitors. In 2016, MMWA saw markedly increased volume on free e-waste days. Once the schedule is confirmed, it will be announced via the website and Facebook page, and via email to trustees and alternates. Promotional posters will also be mailed to all member communities, as well as churches, non-profit organizations, libraries and other community partners.

# B. Community Engagement Officer Report

Carol Somers/Community Engagement Officer explained MMWA's new Rethink Your Recycling campaign, which encourages residents to take a closer look at what they are putting in their recycling bins. The initiative aims to discourage "wishful recycling," thereby reducing contaminants that are being sent to the recyclables processing center. Promotional materials in both PDF and JPG format will be emailed to trustees and alternates so they can be shared as printed posters or on websites and social media platforms. Somers reminded members that residents should contact MMWA if they are unsure whether an item is recyclable. MMWA's 2017 Earth Day Celebration will be held on Saturday, April 22, from 10 am to 2 pm at the Children's Zoo at Celebration Square in Saginaw. The first 400 people who bring a recyclable drink container will be admitted for free. The event features recycled crafts, face painting, games and resources shared by MMWA and a dozen community partners. Somers noted that MMWA staff will be bringing "Recyclables Only" stickers to every board meeting to make it easier for communities that need to place an order. Once yard waste season starts in April, yard waste stickers will also be available at meetings.

#### VI. Closed Session

#### A. Entered into Closed Session

Motion by Carrollton Twp/Pilkington, seconded by Thomas Twp/Taylor, to approve entering into closed session.

Passed unanimously

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Motion by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, seconded by Marion Twp/Goschka, to approve exiting closed session.

# Passed unanimously

Motion by Thomas Twp/Taylor, seconded by Kochville Twp/Loiacano, to authorize the Executive Committee to proceed with the necessary legal actions related to the settlement agreement between Mid Michigan Waste Authority and the Village of Chesaning.

Passed unanimously via roll call vote

VII. Other

A. Member/Staff Other

None

- B. Next Executive Committee Meeting: 9:30 am, Thursday, March 23, 2017 @ MMWA
- C. Next Board Meeting: 9:30 am, Monday, April 10, 2017 @ Thomas Twp Public Safety Bldg

# VIII. Adjourn

Motion by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, seconded by Bethany Twp/Morris, to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 am.

Passed unanimously

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