



**Mid Michigan Waste Authority
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes**

9:30 am – October 9, 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, October 9, 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.

I. Welcome

Chair Grunwell called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. Public comment solicited – no public in attendance.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Member Attendance Roll

25 present – quorum achieved

Members Present

Bethany Twp/C. Morris		Kochville Twp/J. Loiacano
Village of Birch Run/P. Moore		Lakefield Twp/D. Rohn
Birch Run Twp/C. Trinklein	alt	Maple Grove Twp/C. Bishop
Blumfield Twp/K. Huber		Marion Twp/S. Goschka
Brady Twp/D. Cook	alt	Richland Twp/A. Reno
Buena Vista Twp/W. Butler		City of Saginaw/P. Karwat
Chapin Twp/ B. Radabaugh		Saginaw Twp/H. Grunwell
Chesaning Twp/F. Kukulis		St. Charles Twp/T. Sargent
City of Frankenmuth/B. Smith		Swan Creek Twp/S. Golden
Frankenmuth Twp/T. Hildner		Thomas Twp/R. Taylor
Fremont Twp/D. LaClair		Wheeler Twp/J. Rohde
James Twp/G. Hakes	alt	City of Zilwaukee/J. Zittel
Jonesfield Twp/L. Tibbits		

Members Absent

Albee Twp/J. Wasmiller		Village of Merrill/N. Brown
Brant Twp/P. Cooper		Village of St. Charles/M. Lane
Village of Breckenridge/C. Seeley		Spaulding Twp/E. Masters
Bridgeport Twp/R. Licht		Tittabawassee Twp/T. Metiva
Carrollton Twp/M. Pilkington		

Staff / Guests / Public

Staff: K. Tessin/Administrative Director; C. Somers/Community Engagement Officer; K. Guinn/Customer Service Representative; Guests/Public: No guests in attendance.

IV. Public Comment

N/A

V. Review Minutes and Other Information

A. Approve Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the August 14, 2017, MMWA Board of Trustees meeting were provided in the meeting packet.

Motion by Wheeler Twp/Rohde, seconded by Jonesfield Twp/Tibbits, to approve the August 14, 2017, meeting minutes as presented.

Passed unanimously

VI. Organizational/Administrative Items: Information &/or Approval

A. Approve 2018 Recyclables Processing Contract with ReCommunity Extension

Village of Birch Run/Moore raised a point of order with respect to the previous meeting. The vote to approve the 2018 extension to the contract with ReCommunity for recyclables processing was taken before a motion was formally made so a motion is needed today.

Motion by Village of Birch Run/Moore, seconded by Kochville Twp/Loiacano, to reconfirm approval of 2018 extension to recyclables processing contract with ReCommunity as it was voted upon by the members at the August 14, 2017, meeting.

Passed unanimously

B. Proposed 2018 Solid Waste Services Estimates

The proposed 2018 Solid Waste Services estimates were provided in the meeting packet. Tessin noted there is a small increase overall in the 2018 estimates. The biggest change is in composting costs, because volume has been high in the past two years, but only those communities with yard waste service will be affected. She added that 95% of the costs are determined by the solid waste contracts, and most of those are fixed costs.

Motion by Frankenmuth Twp/Hildner, seconded by Village of Birch Run/Moore, to approve the 2018 Solid Waste Services Estimates.

Passed unanimously

C. Update – Publication of Notice of Resolution of Approval of Member Contract

MMWA has not received any calls or questions related to the publication of notice of resolution of approval of member contracts. MMWA will have met its legal obligation 45 days after the notice was published. After the first of the year, Tessin will begin working on the bylaws and articles of incorporation.

VII. Program Items: Information &/or Approval

A. CRRC/Special Waste Drop Off Days Update

Tessin reported MMWA's Household Special Waste summer collection events concluded. 22 events were held with a total of 2,297 cars; a 15% increase from 2016. The events attracted residents from all of MMWA's member communities with a total of over 220,000 pounds of special waste collected. MMWA also piloted document shredding events and eyeglass collection.

B. Community Engagement Officer Report

MMWA has participated in a number of community events this summer, including festivals, farmers markets, summer reading programs, and parks and recreation programs. Staff will be taking part in several professional development and educational activities over the next two months. MMWA is pleased

to be hosting the Michigan Recycling Coalition regional recycling outreach meeting on October 24. Tessin and Somers will be attending the MDEQ Waste and Materials Management Conference in December. Somers explained that the curbside education pilot being partially funded by the MDEQ recycling education grant has been pushed to April 2018, because there was a delay in grant contract paperwork from the state. She will share more details about this project, including which communities will be participating, at the February board meeting.

VIII. Closed Session – None needed.

IX. Other

A. Member/Staff Other

1. City of Zilwaukee/Zittel – Zittel inquired about the status of Saginaw Township’s upcoming 32-gallon recycling container giveaway. Grunwell shared that Saginaw Township will be delaying the project until the spring of 2018, to coincide with the MMWA curbside education pilot.

2. Wheeler Twp/Rohde – Rohde asked if any other communities around the state have authorities like Mid Michigan Waste Authority. Tessin and Somers affirmed that there are several within the Michigan/Ohio area.

3. Jonesfield Twp/Tibbits – Tibbits mentioned that he has been working with Somers to put together a sheet of key MMWA guidelines and announcements to include with the township’s tax notices. Tessin explained that MMWA can modify and personalize materials for each community.

X. Next Scheduled MMWA Meetings

A. **Next Executive Committee Meeting:** 9:30 am, Thursday, November 16, 2017 @ MMWA

B. **Next Board Meeting will be MMWA’s Annual Meeting:** 9:30 am, Monday, December 11, 2017 @ Andersen Enrichment Center

XI. Adjourn

Motion by Thomas Twp/Taylor, seconded by Village of Birch Run/Moore, to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 am.

Passed unanimously

Submitted by: Katharine Tessin/Administrative Director _____