



Mid Michigan Waste Authority Special Call Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

9:00 am – March 14, 2022

Thomas Twp Public Safety Building 8215 S Shields Dr/Thomas Twp

Following are the minutes of the Special Call meeting of the Executive Committee of the Mid Michigan Waste Authority (Authority), a Michigan Municipal Corporation, located in Saginaw County, Michigan, held on Monday, March 14, 2022, at the Thomas Twp Public Safety Building, Thomas Twp, Michigan, pursuant to written notice served on the members of the Authority and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

I. Welcome and Public Comment

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 9:01 am. Public comment solicited – J. Reynolds from WM wanted to know what it meant on the pricing spreadsheets when it said separate. Tessin responded that it means the unit price represents cart collection with the landfill disposal costs and recycling processing costs separate and based on the tonnage actually generated as opposed to a single price for carts that includes the collection cost, landfill disposal cost, and recycling processing costs unrelated to the actual tonnage generated. Tessin explained that she used estimates of 1.0 tons of trash, 0.20 tons of recycling and 0.9 cubic yards of yard waste in her calculations.

II. Member Attendance Roll

5 present – quorum achieved

Members Present

City of Frankenmuth/B. Smith		Thomas Twp/R. Taylor
City of Saginaw/P. Karwat		City of Zilwaukee/M. Bourbina
Saginaw Twp/D. Gotham		

Members Absent

Brant Twp/P. Cooper		Frankenmuth Twp/T. Hildner
Village of Birch Run/P. Moore		

Staff / Guests / Public

Staff: K. Tessin/Administrative Director; S. Thayer/Assistant Administrative Director; B. London/CoS; J. Reynolds/WM; S. Charboneau/WM; R. Davis/DBS Attorneys

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

A. Review RFP Submissions

Tessin reviewed pricing charts included in the meeting packet. She noted that her calculations included an estimate of 1.0 tons of trash, 0.20 tons of recycling and 0.9 cubic yards of yard waste. Proposals were reviewed by type moving from manual collection to carted collection. Tessin advised members pricing proposals for cart collection with separate trash disposal and recycling processing costs based on actual tonnage generated were not attractive.

Members present were asked if they liked their current services and planned to stay as is versus making changes such as moving from manual collection to carted collection or moving from weekly recycling collection to EOW recycling collection.

Members discussed: WM's proposed fuel surcharge, independent office space with either a cost reduction or stipend, recycling profit sharing, and cost of living escalators. Concerns were raised about vendor experience, financials, the percentage rate of increase from year to year, language surrounding pass through costs, equipment and staffing needs, and familiarity or lack thereof with MMWA. Davis noted that MMWA could include in any contract language that MMWA's contract could not be sold without MMWA's approval.

Tessin stated that the references checks have been fine.

Priority Waste has not provided financial statements as per MMWA's RFP. Instead, they submitted a Confidential Information Agreement to MMWA's attorney Robert Davis. Davis will advise Priority Waste that the financial information should be provided as requested.

Taylor, Gotham, Karwat and Tessin will hold additional discussions with WM and GFL. Tessin will email both a list of topics discussed by the group and some vendor specific questions.

IV. Next Scheduled MMWA Meetings

- A. Next Executive Committee Meeting: 9:30 am, Thursday, March 24, 2022 @ Thomas Twp Public Safety Bldg.
- B. Next Board Meeting: 9:30 am, Monday, April 11, 2022 @ Thomas Twp Public Safety Bldg.

V. Adjourn

Motion by Saginaw Twp/Gotham, seconded by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 am.

Passed unanimously

Submitted by: Katharine Tessin/Administrative Director _____