



## Mid Michigan Waste Authority Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

2:00 pm – May 19, 2022

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

Following are the minutes of the Executive Committee of the Mid Michigan Waste Authority (Authority), a Michigan Municipal Corporation, located in Saginaw County, Michigan, held on Thursday, May 19, 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

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 2:01 pm.

### II. Member Attendance Roll

7 present – quorum achieved

#### Members Present

Brant Twp/P. Cooper		Thomas Twp/R. Taylor
Frankenmuth Twp/T. Hildner		Tittabawassee Twp/T. Metiva
City of Saginaw/P. Karwat		City of Zilwaukee/M. Bourbina
Saginaw Twp/D. Gotham		

#### Members Absent

Village of Birch Run/P. Moore		City of Frankenmuth/B. Smith
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### Staff / Guests / Public

Staff: K. Tessin/Administrative Director; S. Thayer/Assistant Administrative Director; S. Charboneau/WM, D. Reams/WM, J. Reynolds/WM, J. Weiss/WM, D.J. Bourdow/GFL, A. Kruse/Priority Waste, D. Venet/Priority Waste, R. Davis/Davis Burket Savage Listman Taylor

### III. Public Comment:

Public comment solicited – No comment.

### IV. Financial Information Review and/or Approval

#### A. 2022 YTD Financial Information

Tessin reported MMWA financials through March 2022 are on track. She noted that yard waste season began April 1<sup>st</sup>, trash volume remains robust, and the fuel surcharge continues to be applied. Tessin stated she is working on the audit with Berthiaume & Company and advised the Executive Committee that per some member feedback in 2021 HSW expenses will be spread out over the course of summer and fall instead of being loaded in the fourth quarter.

*Motion by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, seconded by Saginaw Twp/Gotham to approve the 2022 YTD Financials.*

*Passed unanimously*

## V. Organizational/Administrative Items: Information and/or Approval

A. Approve May 10, 2022, Special Call Executive Committee meeting minutes.

*Motion by Hildner/Frankenmuth Twp, seconded by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva to approve the May 10, 2022, special call meeting minutes.*

*Passed unanimously*

B. Review RFP Submissions

Taylor stated the intent of this meeting is for the Committee to approve a recommendation to the general membership for solid waste contracts. He summarized that after multiple reviews, meetings, and discussions the focus has narrowed to WM for cart service and Priority Waste for manual service with a cart option pending provision by Priority Waste of tiered pricing based on number of housecount choosing Priority Waste and revised recycling profit sharing language.

Gotham added that Saginaw Township is considering revising its ordinance to allow or require developments with up to six or eight units under one roof to be included in the Twp's housecount. Tessin noted the Authority will want to revise the definition of eligible participants in any solid waste contracts to ensure the haulers are aware.

*Motion by Frankenmuth Twp/Hildner, seconded by City of Saginaw /Karwat for the Executive Committee to recommend to the MMWA Board of Trustees that member communities consider proposals from WM for a ten-year agreement for carted service at the proposed tiered pricing and Priority Waste for a five-year agreement with an option to extend an additional five-years for either manual or carted service, contingent upon provision of tiered pricing and a revised recycling profit sharing calculation, and TDE Enterprises for composting services for those communities with yard waste service that also select Priority Waste.*

*Passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Yeas: Brant Twp/Cooper, Frankenmuth Twp/Hildner, City of Saginaw/Karwat, Saginaw Twp/Gotham, Thomas Twp/Taylor, Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva and City of Zilwaukee/Bourbina

Nays: None

Next steps include emailing a master narrative to the Board of Trustees with Tessin providing pricing information separately by Zone. Tessin and Thayer will follow up with each member community prior to the June 13, 2022, Board of Trustees meeting to address any questions.

## VI. Program Items: Information and/or Approval

A. Review Pilot Food Scrap Opportunity

Tessin explained that MMWA had an unexpected opportunity to participate in a residential food scrap collection pilot program through Iris Waste Diversion in conjunction with the City of Bay City. Tessin stated that this is a great opportunity to offer a program residents have expressed interest in at very low cost to the Authority. Iris Waste Diversion will be administering the grant while MMWA's role will be to publicize the program on our social media and to our member communities. Thayer noted this is a great opportunity to collect data now regarding interest in any potential organics program.

Tessin also stated that at the Michigan Recycling Coalition (MRC) conference she connected with Debra Horner from the Michigan Public Policy Survey. Dr. Horner provided anonymized information from our area noting that of those participating at the municipal level in our area, in response to the open-ended question of what other services would you like to see, 30% responded they would like to see carts added to the program and 30% would like some sort of option for food waste. Taylor stated that as very little labor would be required from MMWA staff this is a good opportunity.

*Motion by Saginaw Twp/Gotham, seconded by City of Saginaw/Karwat, to approve participate in the Pilot Food Scrap Program.*

*Passed unanimously*

**VII Next Scheduled MMWA Meetings**

- A. Next Executive Committee Meeting: 9:30 am, Thursday, September 22, 2022 @ Thomas Twp Public Bldg.
- B. Next Board Meeting: 9:30 am, Monday, June 13, 2022 @ Thomas Twp Public Safety Bldg.

**Adjourn**

*Motion by Saginaw Twp/Gotham, seconded by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, to adjourn the meeting at 2:25 pm.*

*Passed unanimously*

Submitted by: Katharine Tessin/Administrative Director \_\_\_\_\_