



Mid Michigan Waste Authority
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
9:30 am – November 21, 2024
Thomas Twp Public Safety Building 8215 S Shields Dr/Thomas Twp

Following are the minutes of the regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Mid Michigan Waste Authority (Authority), a Michigan Municipal Corporation, located in Saginaw County, Michigan, held on Thursday, November 21, 2024, 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 Karwat called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

II. Member Attendance Roll

Seven present – quorum achieved

Members Present

Brant Twp/P. Cooper		Thomas Twp/D. Frolo
City of Frankenmuth/B. Smith		Tittabawassee Twp/T. Metiva
Richland Twp/R Grose		City of Zilwaukee/M. Bourbina
City of Saginaw/P. Karwat		

Members Absent

Frankenmuth Twp/T. Hildner		
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Staff / Guests / Public

Staff: K. Tessin/Administrative Director, S. Thayer/Assistant Administrative Director, M. Comstock/Saginaw Twp, S. Charboneau/WM, D. Reams/WM, B. Quitiquit/Priority Waste, J. Taylor/Priority Waste, D. Venet/Priority Waste.

III. Public Comment:

None

IV. Review Minutes and Other Information

A. Approve September 19, 2024, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Richland Twp/Grose, seconded by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, to approve the September 19, 2024, meeting minutes as presented.

Passed unanimously

V. Financial Information Review and/or Approval

A. 2024 YTD Financial Information

Tessin stated YTD MMWA is on target. Tessin noted that while the SCSWF amount appears over budget that amount is offset by Clean Sweep reimbursement, donations and roll over restricted funds. Tessin noted MMWA has not yet been advised of the FY 2025 Saginaw County Solid Waste Funds award amount by the County.

Motion by Brant Twp/Cooper, seconded by Richland Twp/Grose, to approve the 2024 YTD Financials as presented.

Passed unanimously.

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

A. 2025 Executive Committee Slate

Tessin stated that Thomas Twp/Frollo has agreed to fill the opening for Treasurer and Saginaw Twp/Comstock has agreed to come on board to the Executive Committee on behalf of Saginaw Township. Tessin introduced Comstock to the Executive Committee. Tessin stated that there was still one opening left and provided a chart of Trustees by zone with house count. Carrollton Twp/Sumption and City of Frankenmuth/Frahm were discussed as replacements. Tessin will reach out to both Trustees.

Motion by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, seconded by Richland Twp/Grose, to recommend for approval by MMWA's Board of Trustees the proposed 2025 Executive Committee Slate including Thomas Twp/Frollo as Treasurer and adding Saginaw Twp/Comstock.

Passed unanimously.

B. 2025 Meeting Schedule

Motion by Richland Twp/Grose, seconded by Thomas Twp/Frollo, to recommend for approval by MMWA's Board of Trustees the proposed 2025 Meeting Schedule.

Passed unanimously.

C. WM Update

Tessin stated that operations are going well. As is typical volume is high at the end of yard waste season, however WM has been doing a good job of keeping up.

D. Priority Waste Update

Tessin stated that operations are going well.

E. MMPC/Part 115 Update

Tessin stated that there are no updates or progress from the last time the Executive Committee met. The next MMPC meeting is Monday, December 9, 2024.

F. Extended Producer Responsibility

Tessin explained that EPR is a policy approach and practice in which producers take responsibility for management of the products and/or packaging they produce at the end of their useful life. It's about shifting costs from municipalities to the producers (brand owners) of managing packaging especially single use. Tessin stated that the Michigan Recycling Coalition (MRC) is asking for support in the form of a signed resolution in support of the Michigan Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Policy for Michigan. Tessin explained the Resolution is not binding, it is a show of support.

Motion by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, seconded by Thomas Twp/Frollo, to recommend for approval by MMWA's Board of Trustees the proposed Resolution of Support for Michigan Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Policy.

Passed unanimously.

VII. Program Items: Information &/or Approval

A. Holiday Light Recycling Drive Update

Thayer stated that the holiday light recycling drive began November 15, 2024, and runs through January 15, 2025. Thayer stated this year there are 21 locations participating in the program. Thayer reminded the committee that the proceeds go to the Can Council.

B. 2025 HSW Drop Off Schedule

Tessin provided supporting data to the Executive Committee with total cost history, tonnage history and rate history. Tessin stated she was still waiting for proposed 2025 pricing from ERG noting that over the years the costs have increased.

Motion by Richland Twp/Grose, seconded by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, to recommend for approval by MMWA's Board of Trustees the proposed 2025 HSW Schedule.

Passed unanimously.

VIII. Closed Session

None

IX. Next Scheduled MMWA Meetings

A. Next Board Meeting: 9:30 am on Monday, December 9, 2024 @ Thomas Twp Public Safety Building

B. Next Executive Committee Meeting: 9:30 am on Thursday, January 16, 2025 @ Thomas Twp Public Safety Building

X. Adjourn

Motion by Tittabawassee Twp/Metiva, seconded by City of Saginaw/Karwat, to adjourn the meeting at 10:21 am.

Passed unanimously

Submitted by: Katharine Tessin/Administrative Director _____