

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE SOUTH MACOMB DISPOSAL AUTHORITY
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Taylor at 4:00 p.m.

Board Member Present

Board Members Roll Call: Robert Taylor, John Caron, Sarah Lucido, Gus Ghanam and Robert Binson.

Also, Present:

Kip Walby, Marie Tighe, Pete Trombley, Steve Wietecha, Roseville, Michael Way, Grosse Pointe Farms, Kyle Seidel, AEW and Tim Tomlinson, Attorney.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Caron, supported by Lucido to approve the agenda with addition to discuss letter to EGLE.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSED MINUTES

Minutes of the South Macomb Disposal Authority Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022, were reviewed.

MOTION by Binson, supported by Lucido to approve the Minutes of the South Macomb Disposal Authority Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022, as presented.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND BILLS

Payroll: (1/19/22)

John Baumgart	\$ 3,561.90
DeMall Goosby	\$ 2,618.13
Steven Montroy	\$ 2,150.35
Robert Shipley	\$ 2,496.25
Rayfield Williams	\$ 2,767.20

Bills:

General Fund	\$ 3,212.50
Site 11	\$ 1,569.95
Freedom Hill/Fostoria Landfills	\$ 0
15 & Hayes	\$ 0
Transfer Station	\$204,960.31
Site 9/9a Buy Back Fund	\$ 0

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TOTAL \$209,742.76

MOTION by Caron, supported by Lucido to approve the general fund, site 11, Transfer Station, Freedom Hill/Fostoria, and Site 9/9a Buy Back Fund bills as presented.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Financial Report was presented to the Board.

MOTION by Binson, supported by Ghanam to receive and file the Financial Report.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

Director of Operations

The Director of Operations update was provided by Kip Walby.

NEW BUSINESS

Landfill Year End Letters

Mr. Walby and Kyle Seidel provided a summary of the field work and tasks completed at each landfill.

At Site 9/9a Landfill, the major milestones were the completion of residential wells PFAS sampling and notification to residents of results below regulatory limits. Michigan of Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) approved the updated Quality Assurance Project (QAPP) which includes new processes for residential well sampling. Removal and/ a replacement of nine monitoring wells, and the installation of two new Piezometers. EGLE approval to reduce VOC sampling to every five years. The SMDA staff has been working at Site 9/9a with repairs to the wells and put locks on all the wells. The SMDA staff also does the lawn mowing and the weed whacking.

At Site 11 Landfill, the site operations included quarterly sampling, gas detection, grading and mowing. In March, the SMDA received a violation from EGLE regarding PFAS. EGLE requested SMDA sampling at all wells on site for PFAS, and to repair and upgrade the existing monitoring well network. TRC personnel collected samples of PFAS separate from the quarterly monitoring events. The final results of the PFAS investigation and monitoring were submitted to EGLE in December and comments have not been received. The conclusions found by TRC was that while low detections of PFAS were detected in select wells, they are not impacting offsite drinking waste sources. The well replacement was completed.

At Freedom Hill/Fostoria Landfills, one hundred trees were planted on the Fostoria by the SMDA. Fencing was placed around these new trees. They were watered as needed. Site operations included semi-annual ground water sampling and gas detection sampling. The SMDA personnel mowing

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and weed whacking as needed. They also completed locking of both gas and ground water wells. Quarterly gas monitoring duties have been transferred from AEW to the SMDA. It is also expected that they will take over the responsibility of ground water sampling in the following year. Mr. Walby stated that Joe Rayner, a SEMSD employee has been sampling at Site 11 and Freedom Hill and doing a great job. We have a newer employee training with Mr. Rayner also. It's very important that we have our staff know how to do these tasks, so we don't have to rely on other companies to do it and eventually see a costs savings.

The board discussed the new bike path Macomb County is putting in around Freedom Hill/Fostoria Landfills.

MOTION by Caron, supported by Lucido to receive and file the Landfill Year End Letters.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

Transfer Station Financials

Mr. Walby presented the December 2021 Transfer Station Financials. He showed the top ten customers that bring in the most revenue. We are up in volume side and down on revenue side. Overall, a good year. Mr. Walby showed pictures of the Ram which is up and running and working great. We are up on MSW tonnage and down on compost tonnage. Mr. Walby explained Campo will be coming in tomorrow to pay approximately half of their outstanding balance of \$107,893.00.

MOTION by Lucido, supported by Binson to receive and file the transfer station financial report.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Walby provided an update on the compost issue with the City of Roseville. He has reached our Attorney; Mr. Ihrle and we have not heard back from City of Roseville's Attorney. Once we hear from them, we can get to work on the sewer line, cement work and fencing.

EGLE Letter

Mr. Walby provided an update on the fines and penalties from EGLE regarding Site 9/9a landfill. He explained Tim Tomlinson, Kyle Seidel and himself recently had a phone conference with representatives from EGLE which included Mellisa Power-Taylors, Cindy Mollenhour and a representative from the Attorney General's Office. Currently, the fees and penalties total \$24,742,000.00. On average, \$1.8 a year. Ms. Mollenhour stated her management wants us to pay a small amount and they are not going to stop the fees and penalties. She recommended we pay .01%. According to the Consent Decree, until we are in compliance EGLE can continue to charge the SMDA at \$3,750 per day. Tim Tomlinson stated we still have readings that are insufficient to meet what they determine is in compliance, so they continue to penalize us, because we have not met the deadlines to complete closure or at least closure to satisfy the consent decree. Kyle Seidel stated we are working closely with EGLE and doing everything they want and ask EGLE why are they continuing with accruing the penalties. Ms. Mollenhour stated we should put our request to freeze the accruing of penalties in writing. The letter to EGLE was presented today to the board to

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review and comment on. A discussion occurred with the board regarding the fees and penalties.

MOTION by Caron, supported by Lucido to approve the letter to be sent to EGLE to stop the fines.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Walby stated Dianne Schelosky had surgery and is doing as well as expected.

Attorney Update

The FOIA policy is in final review and the board should expect it soon.

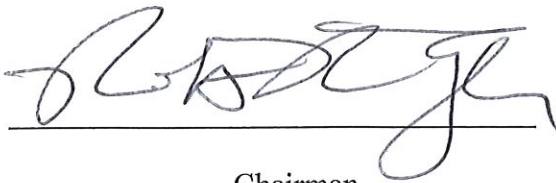
Public Participation

There being no other public participation, Chairman Taylor called for a motion to adjourn.

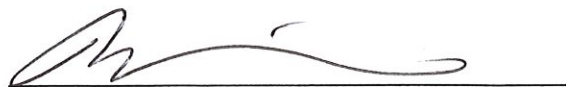
MOTION by Caron, supported by Lucido to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED



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FINANCIAL REPORT

General Fund - cash on hand (Includes Site 11 Leachate, Closure expenses, Transfer Station and misc.)	\$ 270,271.73
MORGANSTANLEY-Fixed MORGAN STANLEY- Site 9/9a (as of 12/31/21)	\$5,027,184.72 \$1,430,432.02
AIG Freedom Hill/Fostoria (as of 8/1/21)	\$2,562,949.71
General Fund - accounts payable	(\$209,742.76)
TOTAL	\$9,081,095.42

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