

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE SOUTH MACOMB DISPOSAL AUTHORITY HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024

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

**Board Member Present** 

Board Members Roll Call: Robert Taylor, John Caron, Robert Binson, Michael Klinefelt & Lori M. Stone.

Also Present:

Kip Walby, Marie Tighe, Kyle Seidel, Tim Tomlinson, Steve Wietecha, Michael Way, and Pete Trombley.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Caron, supported by Binson to approve the agenda.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

Review and Approval of Proposed Minutes

Minutes of the South Macomb Disposal Authority Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, were reviewed.

MOTION by Binson, supported by Caron to approve the Minutes of the South Macomb Disposal Authority Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 as presented.

AYES: All	MOTION CARRIED	
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Approval of Payroll and Bills		ř.
Payroll: 1/3/24		
John Baumgart		\$ 4,089.72
Darren Coleman		\$ 4,011.44
DeMall Goosby		\$ 4,958.61
Robert Shipley		\$ 4,598.48
Rayfield Williams		\$ 4,265.21
Bills:		
General Fund		\$ 1,312.50
Site 11		\$ 5,168.59
Freedom Hill/Fostoria Landfills		\$ 0
15 & Hayes		\$ 0
Transfer Station		\$196,972.65
Site 9/9a Buy Back Fund		<u>\$ 18,299.30</u>
4	TOTAL	\$221,753.04

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MOTION by Caron, supported by Binson to approve the Payroll, 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.

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

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED.

#### **New Business**

**Director of Operations** 

The Operations and Administrator update was provided by Kip Walby.

Financial Report on Transfer Station

Mr. Walby provided an update on the transfer station financials through December 31, 2023. The net profit summary shows \$228,543.06. The tonnage received summary shows a difference of 3,049 in compost. The outstanding customer payment summary shows Standard Waste Services with an outstanding of \$137,361.62. Mr. Walby explained we are working with them. Standard Waste Services merge with Titan Waste. Mr. Walby explained we will issue a new contract to Titan Waste. Mr. Walby reported Campo Disposal progress is good. The total outstanding amount is \$132,435.62. Hopefully in the next six months their debt will be paid up.

MOTION by Caron, supported by Klinefelt to receive and file the financial report of the transfer station.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

#### Year-end Landfill Summary Letters

Mr. Seidel provided a summary of the work at Freedom Hill/Fostoria Landfill during the 2023 calendar year. The Freedom Hill landfill is located on property owned by Macomb County, who uses the landfill cap as a parking area for events. The county is responsible for the maintenance of the cap, and they have put asphalt millings down throughout the year. At the Fostoria landfill, the SEMSD had extra dirt from the construction and transported it to the site to fill in some low areas. The county completed streambank restoration on the Red Run Drain and put in a new hike-bike trail. Significant rainfall in late August caused some damage minor repairs were made but further stabilization is needed for a long-term solution. The soil erosion and sediment control permit for the Fostoria Landfill was reviewed with the city of Sterling Heights in October. The following routine post-closure maintenance activities were completed in 2023 are semi-annual groundwater

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monitoring, quarterly perimeter gas monitoring, annual leachate monitoring and annual site wide landfill gas monitoring. The SEMSD staff continued lawn mowing, weed whipping, gas monitoring and groundwater monitoring activities. Additionally, the SMDA switched laboratories from Midwestern Analytical Services to Paragon Laboratories. In December, per a request from the city of Sterling Heights, the SMDA and AEW conducted a zoom meeting with the city to provide them information on the routine post closure maintenance activities. Moving forward, this meeting is planned to be conducted once every year.

Mr. Seidel provided a summary of the work at Site 9/9a during the 2023 calendar year. He reported this landfill is a superfund. In June, the SMDA initiated a new contract with CTI Technologies Inc (CTI) to assist with groundwater sampling and reporting, site quality assurance, and geological reporting. Some of the major milestones and deliverables have been completed: CTI submitted a conceptual site model (CSM). Well RW-9-7 recovery well was removed and replaced. Submittal of quarterly progress reports and semi-annual and annual groundwater reports. CTI submitted a revised CSM to EGLE in September. EGLE's comments on the CSM are expected in March 2024. In July, we received notice of a claim and reimbursement from Stonecraft Investments. SMDA legal counsel has denied their claim. There has been no response from them to date. In 2023 the SMDA changed laboratories to Paragon Laboratories. Mr. Seidel provided a summary of the routine post-closure activities that were completed. The SEMSD staff continued lawn mowing, weed whipping, landfill cap inspection, quarterly sample collection for the GLWA permit, gas monitoring and as needed well casing maintenance activities.

Mr. Seidel provided summary of the work at Site 11 during the 2023 calendar year. Site operations included quarterly ground water sampling, gas detection, offsite leachate disposal, grading, and mowing. The following deliverables submitted to EGLE are quarterly progress reports, soil testing results for cap certification and additional soil testing results for cap certification. In January, 2024 EGLE approved the landfill cap. At EGLE's request, an assessment monitoring plan (AMP) was submitted in 2022. The AMP outlines the modifications to the groundwater sampling plan. We have received no comments or correspondence from EGLE on this plan. In April 2023, the SMDA switched laboratories from Midwestern Analytical Services to Paragon Laboratories. In September 2023, we received a notice of violation letter from EGLE pertaining to exceedances of allowable methane gas at the boundaries of the site. EGLE requested that the SMDA submit a revised plan for the remediation of gas migration. AEW is currently in the process of evaluating next steps and intend to submit a gas mitigation plan to EGLE in 2024. Mr. Seidel provided the routine postclosure activities that were completed. The SEMSD staff continued to perform groundwater monitoring, and gas monitoring. Leachate from the collection system was pumped from three locations on a weekly basis and disposed offsite by Valicor. Mr. Seidel asked the board how they would to like handle the no response from EGLE regarding the AMP submitted in 2022.

MOTION by Binson, supported by Caron to re-engage with EGLE and follow up on the AMP letter sent in 2022.

AYES: All

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Site 11 Certified CAP Letter

Mr. Walby attached correspondence from EGLE. He is happy to report that through the efforts of AEW the clay cap at Landfill Site 11 has been certified and approved by EGLE. Site 11 was filled and closed by the SMDA in 1987. The next steps are to get EGLE's approval of the AMP, develop a perimeter gas workplan and complete additional repairs to the leachate removal system.

MOTION by Klinefelt, supported by Caron to receive and file the correspondence from EGLE certifying the clay cap at Site 11.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

**Election of Officers** 

The annual election of the 2024 SMDA Officers was now in order.

MOTION by Binson, supported Caron to nominate Mayor Taylor as Chairman.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Klinefelt, supported by Binson to nominate Councilman Caron as Vice-Chairman.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Caron, supported by Binson to nominate Mayor Stone as Treasurer.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Caron, supported by Klinefelt to nominate Mayor Binson as Secretary.

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Taylor — Chairman
Councilman Caron — Vice-Chairman
Mayor Stone — Treasurer
Mayor Binson — Secretary
Mayor Klinefelt — Board Member

**General Updates** 

Mr. Walby reported at the last board meeting it was discussed to form a committee for the renewal of the transfer station contracts. Mayor Binson agreed to be on the committee. Mr. Walby asked Mayor Stone to be on the committee and suggested to start meeting in February. He explained the two big contracts that are up this year are Waste Management and Torello. Currently, the contract

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with Waste Management is \$16.69, their new pricing came back at \$16.25 for year one. Mr. Walby has contacted Republic in New Boston and they quoted \$14.50. He also reached out to Riverview.

Mr. Walby reported we received the letter from EGLE regarding the site inspection of the transfer station. Trash pickup and concrete repair was noted in the letter.

**Attorney Update** 

Mr. Tomlinson reported City of Fraser complained about Torello and issued them several overweight tickets. Mr. Tomlinson is working with the City of Fraser's attorney on this issue.

**Public Participation** 

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

AYES: All

MOTION CARRIED

Chairman

Secretary

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

General Fund - cash on hand- 1/24/24 (Includes Site 11 Leachate, Closure expenses, Transfer Station and misc.)	\$ 484,987.80
Titan Wealth Advisors-12/31/23 Unrestricted Fund-6892 Site 9/9a-	\$4,856,167.71 \$ 222,414.78
AIG Freedom Hill/Fostoria (as of 6/30/22)	\$2,169,907.00
General Fund - accounts payable	(\$221,753.04)
TOTAL	\$7,511,724.25