HOUSATONIC RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 9, 2014, 1:00 p.m.
Danbury City Hall - 3rd Floor - Caucus Room

MINUTES

Chairman Mike Gill called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Members in attendance at that time were M. Gill, M. Boughton, and M. Knickerbocker. Also in attendance were C. Reedy, Director and J. Iannucci, Assistant Director. Rudy Marconi arrived at 1:08 p.m. during the discussion of agenda item 3.

Approval of Minutes
Motion by M. Boughton, second by M. Gill, to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of May 1, 2013, as presented. Vote: M. Gill, and M. Boughton in favor. M. Knickerbocker abstaining. (R. Marconi was not yet present at the meeting and did not vote on this item.)

Motion to Intervene with DEEP in re Plumtrees Road Solid Waste Facility
Motion by M. Gill, second by M. Knickerbocker, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Housatonic Resources Recovery Authority (“HRRA” or the “Authority”) is a regional resources recovery authority organized and created in 1986 by concurrent ordinances of its member municipalities in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 103b of the Connecticut General Statutes;

WHEREAS, HRRA’s member municipalities are the Towns of Bethel, Bridgewater, Brookfield, Kent, New Fairfield, New Milford, Newtown, Redding, Ridgefield and Sherman, and the City of Danbury, hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Members”;

WHEREAS, MSW Associates, LLC (the “Applicant”) has filed an application with the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (the “Application”) seeking a permit to construct and operate a solid waste volume reduction plant (the “Facility”) at 14 Plumtrees Road (the “Property”) in Danbury, one of HRRA’s member municipalities;

WHEREAS, the Notice of Tentative Determination issued by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (“DEEP”) in this application proceeding discloses that the Applicant proposes to manage up to 350 tons per day of putrescible MSW and up to 100 tons per day of recyclable materials;
WHEREAS, HRRA submitted written comments to DEEP in this application proceeding by letter dated December 13, 2013, a copy of which letter is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference;

WHEREAS, the acceptance and processing of 350 tons per day of putrescible MSW and 100 tons per day of recyclable materials by the Applicant at the Facility will or may threaten the viability of the performance of the regional solid waste management plan by HRRA in conformity with the Plan and the provisions of Chapter 446d of the Connecticut General Statutes and of the viability of HRRA’s performance of the regional recycling Program both of which are funded solely by fees measured by the amount of MSW and recyclable materials delivered pursuant to the WSDA and the Regional Single Stream Agreement, respectively;

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Authority, after consultation with the Chairman, authorized and directed HRRA’s counsel to file with DEEP a Motion on behalf of HRRA to intervene as a party in the Application proceeding at DEEP; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Authority’s Members desire to authorize and direct the Authority to seek, and to authorize, ratify and confirm the authority of the Executive Director and the Chairman to direct HRRA’s counsel to seek intervention by HRRA as a party in the Application proceeding at DEEP.

NOW THEREFORE, the Executive Committee of the Members, being duly authorized by HRRA’s By-Laws, hereby takes action of the Authority by written consent, as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Authority be, and it hereby is, authorized to seek intervention as a party in the Application proceeding at DEEP;

RESOLVED, that the action of the Authority’s Executive Director and Chairman to direct the Authority’s counsel to file a Motion to Intervene in the Application proceeding at DEEP on behalf of the Authority be, and it hereby is, authorized, ratified and confirmed;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman and the Executive Director be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to take such actions and such positions of the Authority in the Application proceeding at DEEP as each of them independently and severally deem to be in the Authority’s best interest.

THIS ACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MEMBERS OF HOUSATONIC RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY is taken by written consent of such Executive Committee in accordance with the By-Laws of the Authority as of the 9th day of January 2014.

Vote: All in favor, i.e. M. Gill, M. Boughton, M. Knickerbocker and R. Marconi. No one opposed or abstaining.
Adjournment

Motion by M. Knickerbocker, second by R. Marconi, to adjourn the executive committee meeting at 1:10 p.m. Vote: All in favor, i.e. M. Gill, M. Boughton, M. Knickerbocker and R. Marconi.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,

Cheryl D. Reedy
HRRA Director
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Michael Gill, Chairman of HRRA
and Selectman, Town of New Fairfield

Mark Boughten, Mayor, City of Danbury

Rudolf Marconi
First Selectman, Town of Ridgefield

Herbert Rosenthal
HRRA Representative, Town of Newtown

Matthew Knickerbocker
First Selectman, Town of Bethel