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HRRRA Negotiating Committee
Monday, April 3, 2017, 11:00 a.m.
HRRRA Office
Upper Level, Old Town Hall
162 Whisconier Rd, Brookfield, CT 06804

MINUTES

Call to Order and Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 11:01 a.m. by HRRRA Chairman Michael Gill. In attendance were M. Gill (NF), R. Marconi and M. Kozlark (RI), J. Urice (DA) and D. Gronbach (NM) along with R. Metzler, HRRRA legal counsel and J Heaton-Jones and C. Reedy, HRRRA staff. P. Llodra and F. Hurley joined the meeting at 11:20 a.m. during the review of committee operations.

Election of Negotiating Committee Chairman

Motion by J. Urice, second by D. Gronbach, to elect R. Marconi as Chairman of the Negotiating Committee. **Vote:** All in favor. Mr. Marconi took over as Chair of the meeting after the vote.

Review of Committee Operations

- The committee set the following dates and times for strategy planning and/or negotiating session:

Monday, April 24	11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Monday, May 8	11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Monday, May 22	11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Monday, June 5	11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Monday, June 19	11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

- The committee decided that no more than four of its members would be at the table during actual negotiations. Meeting notifications will be sent to the Chief Elected Officials who will send their alternate if they are not able to attend a meeting. It will be the responsibility of the CEOs and alternates to maintain the necessary communication so that all informed about the latest sessions and able to act if needed.

- The committee decided that it would not elect a Vice Chairman. If Chairman Marconi is unable to attend a meeting and the meeting is not canceled, a member of the Nominating Committee present at the meeting will be designated to chair that specific meeting by the members present.
- The MSW contract with Wheelabrator and the recycling contract with Winters Bros. as well as HRRAs' lease agreements with the Towns of Ridgefield and Newtown, and municipal contracts with HRRAs for MSW and recycling all expire on June 30, 2019. The Authority, however, had hoped to complete negotiations prior to the November 2017 elections so that the players who are now up to date on the issue will be the decision makers on the contract.
- Per R. Metzler, if there is no financial commitment required from the municipalities, a new contract will not require approval by the legislative body in each municipality unless required locally by town charter or custom.

Review Staff Analysis of Winters Bros. RFP dated January 17, 2017 – Motion by J. Urice, second by D. Gronbach, to go into executive session for the purposes of reviewing staff analysis of the Winters Bros. RFP and developing negotiating strategy, and to invite all members present, including alternates, Chairman Gill, legal counsel and staff into the executive session. **Vote:** All in favor. The Negotiating Committee entered executive session at 11:34 a.m. and came out of executive session at 1:00 p.m. No business was conducted in executive session.

Adjournment – Motion by J. Urice, second by P. Llodra, to adjourn the meeting at 1:02 p.m. **Vote:** All in favor.

Respectfully,

Cheryl D. Reedy
HRRAs Assistant Director