



HOUSATONIC RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 28, 2019, 10:00 a.m.

Room 133 Brookfield Town Hall

100 Pocono Road, Brookfield, CT 06804

Members or Alternates Present

Bethel, Richard Straiton	8
Bridgewater, Curtis Read	1
Brookfield, Steve Dunn	7
Danbury, Joel Urice	36
Kent, Bruce Adams	1
New Milford, Pete Bass	12
Newtown, Fred Hurley	12
Redding, Julia Pemberton	4
Ridgefield, Rudolph Marconi	11
Sherman, Don Lowe	2
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Others Present:

Sheldon Conn, Brookfield
Suzanne Von Holt, New Milford
Ken Vallera, AAW

Members Absent

New Fairfield

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman R. Marconi at 10:18 a.m. with a quorum of 94 votes present from ten towns. R. Marconi led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Public Comment:

There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes of April 22, 2019 Meeting

Motion by S. Dunn, second by D. Lowe to accept the minutes as presented. **Vote:** All in favor. (94 yes votes.)

Glass Pilot agreement with Oak Ridge

Executive Director, J. Heaton-Jones informed the Authority that an agreement with Oak Ridge for a glass program has not yet been drawn up to address specific concerns that have come to light with the

activities-to-date in Bethel, Redding and Ridgefield. The pilot has diverted approximately 40 tons of glass. Three loads of material were rejected by SMI due to contamination. J. Heaton-Jones outlined potential alternative outlets for the glass.

Bethel, Redding and Ridgefield will continue to collect source separated glass at transfer stations. J. Heaton-Jones will work to get an agreement with Oak Ridgefield in place and explore solutions to other needs as learned thru the pilot.

Household Hazardous Waste participation and funding options

J. Heaton-Jones briefly recapped results from Danbury, September 29, 2018 and Newtown, May 18, 2019 HHW events. F. Hurley stated the region needs more events and pointed out the indirect benefits municipalities experience when residents have a free option to properly dispose of hazardous waste. Discussion ensued on how to best increase the number offerings to best serve HRRRA residents and equitably support hosting municipalities. **Motion** by J. Urice, second by F. Hurley, to support all Household Hazardous Waste event host communities (Bethel, Brookfield, Danbury, Newtown, New Milford and Ridgefield) with a \$10,000 subsidy. The funding to be provided through additional revenue received from the Regional Solid Waste and Recycling Agreement program fee and municipal registrations to be held by HRRRA that are approved by each Municipality. **Vote:** All in favor. (94 yes votes.)

Regional Waste and Recycling Contract MSW Tip Fee

J. Pemberton departed prior to vote to go into executive session at 10:51 a.m. **Motion** by J. Urice, second by S. Dunn, to go into executive session for the purpose to discuss Oak Ridge's request to increase the MSW tip fee as well as to invite the HRRRA Alternates, the Executive Director, and T. Carlson. **Vote:** All in favor. (90 yes votes.) The Authority entered executive session at 10:55 a.m. The Authority came out of executive session at 11:30 a.m. The Authority returned to public session at 11:31 a.m. **Motion** by J. Urice, second by S. Dunn, to accept the recommendation made by the Executive Committee with a modification. **Vote:** All in favor. (90 yes votes.)

Adjournment

Motion by S. Dunn, second P. Bass, the meeting was adjourned at 11:34 a.m. **Vote:** All in favor of adjournment. (90 yes votes.)

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Carlson
Administrative Assistant