

HOUSATONIC RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY

NOTES – This meeting did not have a quorum

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 1:00 p.m. Newtown Municipal Center, Conference Room

3 Primrose Street

Newtown, CT 06470

## **Members or Alternates Present**

Bethel, Dan Carter	7
Bridgewater, Curtis Read	1
Kent, Jean Speck	5
New Fairfield, Pat Del Monaco	1
New Milford, Suzanne Von Holt	11
Newtown, Herb Rosenthal	11
Redding, Julia Pemberton	4
Roxbury, Patrick Roy	1
Sherman, Don Lowe	1
Wilton, Matthew Knickerbocker	7
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Others Present:Dan Rosenthal, First Selectman, NewtownFred Hurley, Newtown AlternateTiffany Carlson, RidgefieldScott Kalb, Bright FeedsLaxmi Wordham, Bright FeedsJoe Sardone, Oak Ridge WasteShannon Barry, Oak Ridge WasteBrian Popovich, All American WasteJennifer Heaton-Jones, HRRAJennifer Baum, HRRALily Keefe, HRRA

### Members Absent:

Brookfield, Danbury, Ridgefield, and Weston

<u>Call to Order</u>: The meeting was called to order by Chairman M. Knickerbocker at 1:05 p.m. with 49 votes present from ten towns. (A quorum was not established)

M. Knickerbocker led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Public Comment: No public comment

# Chairman and Members' Comment:

- The Chairman welcomed new HRRA member Dan Carter, First Selectman of Bethel, and Lily Keefe, HRRA Staff.
- The Chairman shared an update on legislative session.

# Director's and Tonnage Report:

J. Heaton-Jones reviewed highlights from the written Director's Report and tonnage reports (Attachment A).

- J. Heaton-Jones introduced the HRRA new staff member, Lily Keefe.
- J. Heaton-Jones shared an update on the tire EPR bill.
- J. Heaton-Jones introduced Tiffany Carlson, Town of Ridgefield Recycling Coordinator.
- T. Carlson provided an update on recycling initiatives in the Town of Ridgefield.
- J. Heaton-Jones referenced the tonnage reports posted in the agenda.

# Administrative Approvals:

Minutes: The minutes of December 8, 2022 (Attachment B) to be voted on at the next Authority meeting.

**Financial Statements:** Financial statements through February 28, 2023 (Attachment C) to be voted on at the next Authority meeting.

## New Business:

## 6a.) Bright Feeds

Scott Kalb and Laxmi Wordham shared a presentation on Bright Feeds, a green company solving the food waste crisis by diverting unwanted food from the waste stream and converting it into nutrient-rich animal feed. See attached presentation.

**6b.) Request to add USDA Grant funds to 2022-2023 budget (Attachment D)** to be voted on at the next Authority meeting.

## Old Business:

# 7a.) By-law subcommittee report on moving to "one town one vote" (Attachment E)

The Chairman shared that under State law, each member town would have to revise their local ordinance prior to changing the HRRA bylaws.

#### **Adjournment**

The meeting ended at 2:00pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Baum