HOUSATONIC RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY Special Meeting - Executive Committee Wednesday, February 9, 2025, 3:00 p.m. Zoom



MINUTES

Chairman Matthew Knickerbocker called the meeting to order via zoom at 3:10 p.m. Members in attendance were H. Rosenthal, P. DelMonaco, R. Marconi and J. Pemberton. Also, in attendance HRRA Executive Director, J. Heaton-Jones and D. Pestrichello from All American Waste.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by R. Marconi second by H. Rosenthal to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of October 3, 2024, as presented. **Vote: All** in favor

HRRA 2025-26 FY Budget Review

J. Heaton-Jones reviewed the concerns about having enough revenue in the 2025-26 budget to cover the minimal increases in contractual expenses along with the additional staffing that was discussed at the October meeting.

The Director reviewed that HRRA staff analyzed how increasing municipal registrations and permits would impact haulers as well as increasing the administrative fee on MSW. It was estimated that increasing Municipal Registrations and Permits from \$250 to \$300 would be a 17% increase to Haulers and gain the authority approximately \$35,000 in revenue for the fiscal year. Increasing the administrative fee from \$2.00 a ton to \$2.50 a ton would increase haulers tip fees by .485% and gain a \$70,000 increase in revenue, a majority of which would fall on IWS as the largest collector in the region.

It was also discussed to charge a permit fee to all trucks not just trucks accessing the transfer station for MSW.

J. Heaton-Jones did speak with J. Decker of IWS prior to the meeting to ask if IWS would be open to renegotiating the administrative fee outlined in the Regional Solid Waste and Recycling Agreement. He agreed that IWS would be open to the change along with the other material changes they have requested and that was discussed at the October 2024 meeting and are scheduled to be deliberated at the February 27th full authority meeting.

The committee directed the Chairman and the Director to have a discussion with IWS prior to the February 27th meeting.

Adjournment

On a **motion** by R. Marconi, second by J. Pemberton, the meeting was adjourned at 3:33 p.m. **Vote:** All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Jennifer Heaton-Jones Executive Director