

RSWA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Minutes of Regular Meeting
January 27, 2003

A regular meeting of the Rivanna Solid Waste Authority (RSWA) Board of Directors was held on Monday, January 27, 2003 at 3:45 p.m., in the Conference Room, Administration Building, 200 Franklin Street, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Board members present: Dr. Richard Collins – Presiding, Mr. Mark Graham, Mrs. Judith Mueller, Mr. Gary O’Connell and Mr. Robert Tucker

Authority staff present: Mr. Lawrence Tropea, Mr. Lonnie Wood, Mr. Wayne Stephens, Mr. Bruce Edmonds, Ms. Anne Bedarf and Mrs. Mary Knowles

Also present: Mr. Kurt Krueger – RSWA Attorney, Mr. Robert Huff – independent financial auditor, members of the public and media representatives

1.0 Call To Order

The regular meeting of the RSWA Board of Directors was called to order by Dr. Richard Collins on Monday, January 27, 2003 at 3:45 p.m., and a quorum was present.

2.0 Minutes Of Previous Meeting

Upon a motion by Mr. Tucker, and seconded by Mrs. Mueller, the Board of Directors voted to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Monday, December 16, 2002. The minutes were approved by a 5-0 vote.

3.0 Executive Director’s Report

Mr. Tropea reported on the following items:

STATUS OF ASSESSMENT OF CORRECTIVE MEASURES (“ACM”) REPORT:

Mr. Tropea stated that RSWA is still awaiting DEQ’s comments on its ACM Report. He stated that as reported last month, RSWA conversations with DEQ staff indicate that there should be no DEQ comments that should delay approval of the ACM Report. He added that RSWA will need to respond to any DEQ’s comments on the ACM as soon as DEQ’s comments are received. In the interim, Mr. Tropea reported that RSWA is concurrently working with its technical team to develop the scope for the CAP.

INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL SENTINEL WELLS: Mr. Tropea stated that a diagram illustrating the proposed location of the new sentinel wells would be made available to the Board, Mr. Ed Strange, who had inquired about the wells, and any other interested member of the public. Mr. Tropea further reported that RSWA is seeking VDOT approval to place one well on VDOT property and another well along the western site boundary.

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3.0 Executive Director's Report Cont.

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CELL 2 (UNLINED) CLOSURE UPDATE: Mr. Tropea stated that the Cell 2 (unlined) closure was completed in August 2002. He noted that erosion problems have occurred due to the very intense storm event on New Year's Day. He reported that DEQ is aware of the erosion problem. Mr. Tropea added that a contractor has been at the site clearing roads and sediment traps. He also stated that RSWA would be examining two different strategies to determine the best way to proceed in term of repairs. He commented that RSWA, along with the Board, were committed to making proper repairs. He stated that a more detailed report would be made to the Board at a future meeting when the technical work is completed.

4.0 Items From The Public

Mr. Ed Strange, Ivy, asked if a decision had been made on the status of proposed Cell 5. Mr. Tropea stated that the Cell 5 application has not been officially withdrawn. He further stated that the City and County are working to resolve RSWA cost share issues, and when completed, the City would make a decision on proposed Cell 5. In response to a question by Mr. Strange regarding the time frame, Mr. O'Connell stated this would occur as soon as an agreement has been reached on the RSWA cost share. Mr. Tropea added that there was also an issue concerning the book valuation of the Ivy site, which the RSWA would bring to the Board before the next financial audit is undertaken.

Mr. Strange commented on the amount of mud that was leaving the Ivy site and the amount built up along the sides of the road. He suggested either placing gravel in the area or getting VDOT to grade the edge of the road and remove some of the mud. Mr. Strange also commented on the reported erosion at Cell 2 (unlined). He stated that "3 to 1 closure slopes" have had a history of erosion problems. In response to a question by Dr. Collins concerning costs for repairing the erosion damage, Mr. Tropea stated that RSWA is still reviewing the options and a reliable figure is not available at this time.

5.0 Consent Agenda

Dr. Collins asked if there were any items that the Board members would like to pull for discussion from the Consent Agenda.

- a) Staff Report on Finance
- b) Ivy Material Utilization Center Manager's Report
- c) McIntire Road Recycling Center/Paper Sort Recycling Operations Manager's Report
- d) Safety Manager's Report

On a motion by Mr. Graham, and seconded by Mrs. Mueller, the Board of Directors voted to approve Items 5a), b), c), and d) of the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was approved by a 5-0 vote.

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6.0 Other Business

In regards to Item 6a1), Draft Minutes of the December 10, 2002 Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting, Mr. Tucker made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Graham, that the Draft minutes of the December 10, 2002 Citizens Advisory Committee be accepted by the Board. By a 5-0 vote, the minutes were accepted.

In regards to Item 6a2), CAC Recommendations on RSWA Budget, Mr. Tropea stated that since no representative from the Citizens Advisory Committee was able to attend today's Board meeting, that the item be postponed until a future Board meeting.

In regards to Item 6b), Annual Financial Report, Mr. Robert Huff, Managing Director, Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates, a CPA firm, reported that the firm conducted the annual audit of RSWA's accounts and records for the year ending June 30, 2002, as required by statute. He stated that the auditor's opinions contained in the financial section are unqualified. He further stated that RSWA experienced an operational loss at the end of the year. Mr. Huff added that any future action taken resolving the landfill site would require a review of the assets as contained on the balance sheet, and his firm stands ready to conduct the financial review at the proper time.

Mr. O'Connell inquired if there were any management comments from the auditors. Mr. Huff stated that except for his comments during the RWSA Board meeting concerning GASB 34, there were no other management comments directed toward the RSWA audit findings.

Upon a motion by Mr. Tucker, and seconded by Mrs. Mueller, the Board of Directors voted to approve the Annual Financial Report. By a 5-0 vote, the motion was approved.

7.0 Other Items From Board/Staff Not On Agenda

There were no other items from the Board or staff not on the agenda.

8.0 Closed Meeting

There was no need for a closed meeting.

9.0 Adjournment

Mrs. Mueller made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. O'Connell, to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Gary O'Connell
Secretary – Treasurer

