

Washtenaw Regional Resource Management Authority

8/17/2020; 1:00 PM
Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Auth (Scio Township), Perry (Scio Township), Akers (City of Ypsilanti), DiPietro (Ann Arbor Township), Nicholls (City of Dexter), Fordice (City of Saline), Stanfield (Ypsilanti Township)

Members Absent: Weirich (Pittsfield Charter Township)

Washtenaw County Staff Present: Eggermont, Garramone

Attorney: Davis

Members of the public present: Weir

Akers called the meeting to order at 1:06 PM

Roll Call

Ann Arbor Township: Present/DiPietro

Pittsfield Township: Not present

Scio Township: Present/Auth

Ypsilanti Township: Present/Stanfield

City of Dexter: Present/Nicholls

City of Saline: Present/Fordice

City of Ypsilanti: Present/Akers

Public Comment

Lamar Weir introduced himself as staff from the Office of Debbie Dingell. He is listening for community updates, events, and news.

Approval of agenda for 8/17 meeting

- Motion to approve agenda without correction moved by DiPietro, seconded by Auth. Roll call vote: Yes (6). All in favor.

Approval of Minutes

7/20/2020 Meeting Minutes Approval

- Auth proposed a clarification on the second page.
- Motion to approve as amended moved by Auth, seconded by Nicholls. Roll call vote: Yes (6). All in favor.

Unfinished Business

Vote on Bob Davis Contract

- Davis made the requested amendments.
- Eggermont requests amendment of signing date at end of document.
- Motion to vote on Davis Contract moved by Auth, seconded by DiPietro. Roll call vote: Yes (6 – DiPietro, Stanfield, Nicholls, Fordice, Akers, Auth). No (0). Abstain (0). Vote passes.

New Business

Contracts Discussion

- Davis recalled the authority's goals from its formation of focusing on recycling quality in order to obtain better pricing. He suggested notifying service providers that WRRMA is a unified group, as they would be interested in looking at consolidating communities for route optimization.

- Davis recommended a strategic plan or business plan to outline the steps to take towards this goal. DiPietro agreed and noted that our press release and common collectibles flyer is just the first step in unifying as a group.
- Akers requested information on starting a strategic planning process. Davis has a draft from preparing for today's discussion and could put in a few more hours to finalize it as a starting point.
- Motion to receive and file the preliminary report on the strategic plan and to instruct Davis to allocate up to 4 billable hours to continue the draft moved by DiPietro, seconded by Auth. Roll call vote: Yes (6). The motion carries.
- Eggermont added that the City of Ann Arbor's MRF rebuilding and recyclable processing contract with Recycle Ann Arbor contains an assignability clause. If the City of Ann Arbor joins WRRMA, the contract could be reassigned to be between WRRMA and Recycle Ann Arbor. When new council member terms begin, the environmental commission could bring WRRMA to the Ann Arbor's city council.
- The board would like Recycle Ann Arbor to join a future meeting to discuss these opportunities. Eggermont will request.

Metrics Discussion

- Eggermont emphasized the importance of filling out the state metrics survey for our numbers. The data will help WRRMA get recycling bids in the future, as well as assist the County with the solid waste planning process.
- Akers requested Eggermont resend the survey and information to all members.

Reports

Part 115: 1994 PA 451 Natural resources and environmental protection act (MCL 324.11502- 324.11553 and MCL 324.101 to 324.90106), introduced to the Michigan House Committee on Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation as House Bills 5812-5817

- Eggermont gave an update of the legislation and the relevant points for municipalities to know. The Board can follow up with Eggermont with questions.

Finances

- Eggermont anticipates sending invoices to municipalities in Sept. The invoice will be from Washtenaw County but will note WRRMA as a descriptor. Eggermont will also invoice for hours worked by the County and pass along the invoices from Davis in September or October.
- Akers suggested adding bills onto the agenda for invoices to be voted on each month, as well as creating a policy to pay ahead of a meeting if needed for avoiding any late charges.

Marketing Updates

- Garramone updated that the press release went out at the beginning of August and was picked up by a few places. Garramone thanked DiPietro for her edits.
- Garramone will send out a new version of the recyclables flyer because of small edits.

Next Steps

- Eggermont will invite Recycle Ann Arbor to the next meeting.
- Davis will continue to work on the strategic plan draft.
- Eggermont will resend the metrics survey, and Garramone will send the updated flyer.
- Perry added to include finances to next steps

Public Comment: General/Unrelated to current Agenda Items

None

Motion to adjourn the meeting: moved by DiPietro, seconded by Nicholls. Roll call vote: Yes (6). All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 2:22 PM.

Minutes prepared by Isabella Garramone

Minutes approved by: *Della DiPietro*
[Della DiPietro \(Sep 25, 2020 15:52 EDT\)](#)
Secretary

Minutes approved by: *Ronald A. Akers*
[Ronald A. Akers \(Oct 1, 2020 13:35 EDT\)](#)
Chair









8.17.20 minutes for signing

Final Audit Report

2020-10-01

Created:	2020-09-25
By:	Isabella Garramone (garramonei@washtenaw.org)
Status:	Signed
Transaction ID:	CBJCHBCAABAAAvzKTmn6xrMbAl8zXfZAJnK9c2YeQ3qu

"8.17.20 minutes for signing" History

-  Document created by Isabella Garramone (garramonei@washtenaw.org)
2020-09-25 - 7:12:43 PM GMT- IP address: 198.108.4.105
-  Document emailed to Della DiPietro (dipietro@aatwp.org) for signature
2020-09-25 - 7:15:23 PM GMT
-  Email viewed by Della DiPietro (dipietro@aatwp.org)
2020-09-25 - 7:49:56 PM GMT- IP address: 173.10.38.129
-  Document e-signed by Della DiPietro (dipietro@aatwp.org)
Signature Date: 2020-09-25 - 7:52:09 PM GMT - Time Source: server- IP address: 173.10.38.129
-  Document emailed to Ronald A. Akers (rakers@cityofypsilanti.com) for signature
2020-09-25 - 7:52:11 PM GMT
-  Email viewed by Ronald A. Akers (rakers@cityofypsilanti.com)
2020-10-01 - 5:34:41 PM GMT- IP address: 23.103.201.254
-  Document e-signed by Ronald A. Akers (rakers@cityofypsilanti.com)
Signature Date: 2020-10-01 - 5:35:00 PM GMT - Time Source: server- IP address: 198.108.4.105
-  Agreement completed.
2020-10-01 - 5:35:00 PM GMT