

Washtenaw Regional Resource Management Authority

4/18/2022; 11:00 AM

Washtenaw County Learning Resource Center
4135 Washtenaw Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI 48108

Members Present: Tanghe, Sirls, Auth, Hoffmeister, Akers, Best, DiPietro, Mason

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Garramone, Eggermont

Attorney: Davis

Members of the public present: Perry

Akers called the meeting to order at 11:05 AM.

Roll Call

Ann Arbor Township: Present/DiPietro

Pittsfield Township: Present/Best

Scio Township: Present/Auth

Ypsilanti Township: Present/Hoffmeister

City of Dexter: Present/Tanghe

City of Saline: Present/Sirls

City of Ypsilanti: Present/Akers

City of Ann Arbor: Present/Mason

Approval of agenda for 4/18 meeting

Motion to approve agenda without amendment moved by Auth, seconded by Best. All in favor. Motion carries.

Approval of Minutes

3/21/2022 Meeting Minutes Approval

Motion to approve as amended moved by Auth, seconded by Hoffmeister. All in favor. Motion carries.

Mason joined at 11:06 AM.

Unfinished Business

Collaborative Contracting (Davis)

Davis presented the working draft of an RFP he created and described the sections included to the Board. He recommends adding as much detail as possible into an RFP to receive accurate pricing and the best contract terms. It will reduce the amount of negotiation and the Board would be able to compare qualifications, services, and factors beyond pricing. Davis added he can insert language for contract reopeners that can only result in price decreases and insert penalties for combining trash and recycling.

Perry joined at 11:38 AM

The Board discussed collecting recycling in carts, which locations have carts or bins, the number of parcels needing services, and how that would all fit into a RFP. DiPietro asked if it would be worthwhile to allow an entity to bid for specific services like recycling. Davis agreed and that sometimes it can provide additional cost savings.

Best noted Pittsfield Township is looking to create a green citizen training to help people learn how to recycle and more sustainability training, which could lead to better pricing. Davis added that would be consistent with our original goals and the rest of WRRMA would be interested as well. Eggermont noted an annual audit of recycling contamination could also assist with pricing.

DOS Additional Feedback

Eggermont shared the matrix, graphs, and the list of the notes in the Board wrote during the DOS activity last month in the packet.

Grant Reviewal and Approval Process Discussion

Eggermont noted the process last year of having a small committee meet to review and approve time-sensitive and smaller items for the grants worked well. He is looking for approval for a similar process this year, for the first part of the grant of the Feet on the Street Program. He proposed the City of Ann Arbor via Mason can act to review and approve items. No objections from the Board.

New Business

June Meeting Conflict

Motion to reschedule the June 20, 2022 meeting to June 27, 2022 moved by Auth, seconded by Siris. All in favor. Motion carries.

ReCollect Renewal

Eggermont noted ReCollect provides the Waste Wizard for municipalities under a contract approved last year and can include Ann Arbor, the next year's annual cost will be charged next month. Auth asked about usage, Garramone will compile data for the next packet.

Invoices

Motion to approve the Washtenaw County invoice for \$4,679.80 moved by Auth, seconded by Best. All in favor. Motion carries.

Motion to approve the Davis invoice for \$630 moved by DiPietro, seconded by Auth. All in favor. Motion carries.

Reports and Updates

Garramone noted the City of Ann Arbor and TRP are confirming dates and designs for the Feet on the Street Program. Barring further adjustments, she noted the pre-MRF audit is likely to take place the week of June 20th, and tagging is planned to occur from July 11th-August 5th.

Eggermont added the Washtenaw County Solid Waste Ordinance Task Force is creating a draft ordinance and will bring it to WRRMA by the end of the year.

Next Steps

Davis will continue to work on the draft RFP and members can contact Eggermont with more notes for the DOS. Eggermont heard from RAA that they can support a MRF tour in May or June.

Public Comment: General/Unrelated to current Agenda Items

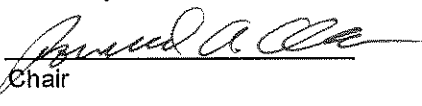
None

Motion to adjourn the meeting moved by Auth, seconded by Best. All in favor. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 12:47 PM.

Minutes prepared by Isabella Garramone

Minutes approved by: 

Secretary

Minutes approved by: 

Chair