

**JEFFERSON BELMONT REGIONAL SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY  
MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING OF JANAUARY 11, 2021**

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Mike Bianconi, John Davies, Chuck Dawson, Jerry Echemann, Scott Fabian, Andrew Henry, George Irvin Jr, Tony Kolanski, Robert Krajnyak, Joe Luckino, James Mavromatis, Mark McVey, Mitch Morelli, Domenick Mucci, Rob Sproul

**ABSENT:**

**OTHERS:** Anita Petrella, Dave Hays, Natalie Lysle, Albin Bauer, Alisha Teramana, Tammy Shepherd, Louise Holliday

A quorum being present, Chair Scott Fabian called to order the regular meeting of the Jefferson Belmont Regional Solid Waste Authority Board VIA Zoom at 5:50PM on, Monday, January 11, 2021.

**MINUTES:** A motion to approve the December 14, 2020 regular monthly meeting minutes was made by Mr. Mucci, seconded by Mr. Mr. Echemann. **Vote: All said Aye. Motion passed.**

**STAFF REPORTS:**

Mr. Hays reported the December Operating Statement would seem inflated because we had the transfer from the General Fund to the Rates & Charges Fund to support the cost of the primary programs above what was brought in with the Rates & Charges. Rates & Charges amount was \$597,621. The Revenues including that transfer in came to \$844,309.14. Expenditures including the transfer out were \$806,467.53 for a Net Cash Income for the month of \$37,841.61. Non Payroll Expenditures for December were reviewed with no questions. November tonnage amounts shown on Apex Report were 13,284.85 tons In-District, 4,238.53 tons Out-of-District, 93,645.39 tons Out-of-State, yielding \$162,230. Adding that is exceptionally high for this time of year so activity may be picking up there.

A motion to accept the fiscal officer's report and approve Expenditures for December 2020 was made by Mr. Dawson and seconded by Mr. Luckino. **VOTE: Unanimous, Yea, by roll call. Motion passed.**

**Director's Report:**

**2021 Community Cleanup Collections**

Director Anita Petrella stated that normally the Community Collections and Grants were voted on during the January meeting of each year, but with possible future Covid issues the Board could wait to discuss it next month. The issue with the Collections is that with Covid the Authority is unable to get manpower from EOCC or the Community Service Programs. Collections usually begin in April.

**2021 Grants Program**

Ms. Petrella stated the Grants Program is usually discussed and approved in January which is another program she is uncertain if the Board wishes to provide in 2021, or wait until next month to discuss.

Brief discussion of both programs followed.

Mr. Mucci made a motion to appropriate \$200,000 for the Collections and \$100,000 for the Grants. Mr. Kolanski seconded. **Roll Call Vote: All said Yes. Motion passed.**

**Tiltonsville Site Camera**

Ms. Petrella stated she has been contacted by the Chief of Police and a couple of Council members from Tiltonsville about their site. They have a large site and asked about getting some cameras for the illegal dumping issue at the site. Any cameras would need better lighting, and the ability to get license plates, possibly putting in telephone poles with bright lighting and trail cameras. Mr. Bianconi suggested doing some research for next meeting regarding this, he may be able to provide some information for that.

Anita Petrella reported that Craig Petrella provided her the Apex information to report to the Board. There were 10 odor complaints with zero verified.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT: Scott Fabian**

None.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Rob Sproul**

None.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Mark McVey**

None.

**PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT: Jim Mavromatis**

None.

**GRANTS/SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE REPORT: Mike Bianconi**

None.

**SEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT: Joe Luckino**

Mr. Luckino stated that the purchase is going through with the lot in front of Belmont building that was previously discussed. Because they were approved on their injection site of the exit they are keeping the lot in front of our building. He stated that he could look at house behind the building if the Board wants more space around the building. Mr. Bianconi stated he is concerned about not owning any property around the outside of the building. Mr. Luckino will check with other lot owners located behind to see if that is a possibility.

**LANDFILL REPORT: Andrew Henry**

Mr. Henry stated reports were sent out and he didn't know what is normally discussed, but due to him only being in his position for a week his focus has been Covid for the last 6 days. If the Board would like specifics he can provide them next month. Mr. Fabian reviewed the reports provided with no questions.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Fabian stated there was an email sent out today with the proposal for the Government Policy Group (GPG), it has a one year plan with 7 different strategies. Mr. Mucci noted there is no ending date like the last one, this one has 30 day written notice to end and the Board should consider having an

expiration date. He is also confused about benefits of Contract, the emails have a wealth of information but not directed towards the Solid Waste. He would like Director to receive the emails as well. Legal Counsel Albin Bauer was asked for his opinion.

Mr. Bauer stated the work he does with charter schools cannot be counted on for information with issues on solid waste. He explained the emails are a general communication and not the only service we are getting, the one document sent out shows what they will be focusing on including the C&D. There are a number of things they have advised us on with respect to solid waste regulations, applications of our siting strategy, facility expansions, that they have talked to him, Mr. Fabian and Mr. Hays over the last year. It is an expensive service and the new proposal meets the Authority half way, they are waving the December 2020 fee and cutting the going forward monthly fees in half. There are at least 4-5 items of significance that potential of blowing up and causing problems for the District in upcoming year. He stated the Contract can easily terminated with the 30 day notice.

Mr. Bianconi agrees with Mr. Mucci about having an end date for re-evaluation if nothing else. Mr. Hays stated they were able to get the Authority a meeting with the head of the Division of Solid Waste about the Crossridge proposed landfill with Greenway, and they promised they will not let us be blindsided. Without them we would never have gotten the meeting. Further discussion followed. Ms. Petrella stated they could also help in the future with the proposed facility in Belmont County. Mr. Luckino explained that the information goes to Mr. Bauer and he would notify the Board of anything that they would need to know of from GPG. Further discussion followed.

Mr. Bianconi made motion to continue with the GPG Contract for \$3,000 a month with the stipulation to cancel anytime with 30 a day notice, and to add a Contract end date of December 31<sup>st</sup> 2021. Mr. Luckino seconded. Roll Call Vote: All said Yes. Mr. Dawson stated he would like to revisit the matter before the end of the year.

Next meeting set for Monday, February 8, 2021 with the location to be either at the JBGT Belmont Building in St. Clairsville or Via Zoom again.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 pm. With a motion from Mr. Mucci, seconded by Mr. Fabian. **Vote: All Said Aye.**

**ATTEST:**

  
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Scott Fabian, Chair

  
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Mike Bianconi, Secretary