

SOCRRA

Regular Meeting – January 13, 2010

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SOCRRA
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 13, 2010 – Clawson City Hall Community Room

The meeting was called to order at 9:38 a.m. by Mrs. S. W. Ball, Chair.

<u>Present</u>	<u>Votes</u>	<u>Municipality</u>
J. Bais-DiSessa	3	Berkley
C. Wilson	3	Beverly Hills
T. M. Markus	6	Birmingham
M. Pollock	4	Clawson
B. A. Photiades	5	Ferndale
A. LeCureaux	4	Hazel Park
C. Galed (Alternate)	2	Huntington Woods
J. Mueller	1	Lathrup Village
K. Yee	5	Oak Park
S. W. Ball	1	Pleasant Ridge
G. Rassel	15	Royal Oak
T. L. Richnak	<u>15</u>	Troy
TOTAL:	64	

Absent

None

Also Present

J. A. McKeen, General Manager
M. A. Czuprenski, Operations Director
J. Schandavel, Authority Engineer
K. Hyde, Executive Assistant
R. Davis, General Counsel

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The Chair recognized visitors and called for public comment. There being no persons present who wished to be heard, the Chair closed the public comment segment.

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Motion by Mrs. C. Galed, supported by Mr. C. Wilson:

That the agenda be approved as submitted.

Yeas: Bais-DiSessa, Wilson, Markus, Pollock, Photiades, LeCureaux, Galed, Mueller, Yee, Ball, Rassel, Richnak (64 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

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APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. T. L. Richnak, supported by Mr. J. Mueller:

That the Consent Agenda be approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – DECEMBER 9, 2009

That the December 9, 2009 Board Meeting minutes be approved as typed and circulated.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS – NO. RA-685

That Warrant No. RA-685 in the amount of \$1,700,864.20 be approved and payments authorized.

MRF BUDGET ANALYSIS – NOVEMBER 2009

That the Board receive and file the MRF Budget Analysis-November 2009 report.

DECEMBER RECYCLING COMMITTEE MEETING

That the report on the December 16 Recycling Committee meeting be received and filed.

INFORMATION REPORTS

That the monthly information reports be received and filed.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Bais-DiSessa, Wilson, Markus, Pollock, Photiades, LeCureaux, Galed, Mueller, Yee, Ball,
Rassel, Richnak (64 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

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Motion by Mr. J. Mueller, supported by Mr. A. LeCureaux:

That the report on the Rate Projection for 2010/11 be received and filed.

Yeas: Bais-DiSessa, Wilson, Markus, Pollock, Photiades, LeCureaux, Galed, Mueller, Yee, Ball,
Rassel, Richnak (64 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

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Motion by Mr. A. LeCureaux, supported by Mrs. C. Galed:

That the report on the 2009 Tours of the MRF be received and filed.

Yeas: Bais-DiSessa, Wilson, Markus, Pollock, Photiades, LeCureaux, Galed, Mueller, Yee, Ball,
Rassel, Richnak (64 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried. The Board expressed their appreciation to Kathy Hyde for conducting tours for 2,621 visitors and presenting 17 recycling workshops during 2009.

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Motion by Mrs. C. Galed, supported by Mr. T. L. Richnak:

SOCRRA RESOLUTION OF OPPOSITION TO
STATE OF MICHIGAN
HOUSE BILL 5558
HOUSE BILL 5559
AND
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION MM

Whereas, SOCRRA and the 12 SOCRRA communities of Berkley, Beverly Hills, Birmingham, Clawson, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Lathrup Village, Oak Park, Pleasant Ridge, Royal Oak and Troy, have demonstrated leadership in best practices in solid waste management, recycling and composting, and has instituted many programs which reduce waste and increase recycling and composting, and

Whereas, at considerable expense since 1992, SOCRRA has operated curbside recycling programs in all 12 member communities, a recycling drop-off center, an electronics recycling program, and has conducted a comprehensive public education program, and

Whereas, SOCRRA fully supports the value of recycling including the conservation of energy and resources, reduced demand on Michigan's existing landfill capacity, economic development and reduction of greenhouse gases, and

Whereas, while House Bill 5558 states an intent to support recycling across Michigan, no analysis has been conducted to determine whether the proposed level of funding created by House Bill 5558 and the design of the funding mechanism in House Bill 5559 and House Joint Resolution MM are appropriate to promote access to recycling programs and growth of recycling programs, and will result in the recycling improvements envisioned in House Bill 5558, and

Whereas, the proposed landfill surcharge of \$7.50 per ton, which is a 40% increase in SOCRRA's landfill cost, will have an adverse impact on all 12 SOCRRA communities and every business located in those communities and no analysis has been performed to determine the extent of that adverse impact, especially on the level of employment in the State of Michigan,

Now therefore be it resolved that SOCRRA opposes House Bill 5558, House Bill 5559 and House Joint Resolution MM, which would impose a surcharge on all waste landfilled or incinerated, because of their detrimental effect on SOCRRA, the 12 SOCRRA communities, the local and state economies and because the potential benefit of the surcharge revenue has not been determined.

Adopted by the SOCRRA Board of Trustees on this day, Wednesday, January 13, 2010.

Yeas: Bais-DiSessa, Wilson, Markus, Pollock, Photiades, LeCureaux, Galed, Mueller, Yee, Ball, Rassel, Richnak (64 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

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Motion by Mr. J. Mueller, supported by Mr. A. LeCureaux:

That the Board convene in closed session to discuss the legal opinion from General Counsel on a contractor issue pursuant to MCL 15.268(h).

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Bais-DiSessa, Wilson, Markus, Pollock, Photiades, LeCureaux, Galed, Mueller, Yee, Ball, Rassel, Richnak (64 votes)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

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The meeting was adjourned into closed session at 9:50 a.m. The meeting was called back to order at 11:04 a.m.

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Motion by Mr. T. M. Markus, supported by Mr. J. Mueller:

That, in regard to the contractor issue, General Counsel follow the legal strategy discussed in closed session.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Wilson, Markus, Pollock, Photiades, LeCureaux, Mueller, Yee, Rassel (43 votes)
Nays: Bais-DiSessa, Galed, Ball, Richnak (21)
Absent: None

Motion carried.

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Motion by Mr. C. Wilson, supported by Mr. A. LeCureaux:

That the meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: Bais-DiSessa, Wilson, Markus, Pollock, Photiades, LeCureaux, Galed, Mueller, Yee, Ball, Rassel, Richnak (64 votes)
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

APPROVED: _____

Chair

Secretary