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RHODE ISLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION
BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, March 28, 2012

9:00 A.M.

65 Shun Pike
Johnston, RI 02919

In Attendance

Michael Quinn, Chair

Michael Sabitoni, Vice Chair

Geri-Ann DiPaolo (departed at 10:35 A.M.)

Sheila Dormody (arrived at 9:15 A.M.)

Fred Stolle

Richard Licht (departed at 9:50 A.M.)

Charles Lombardi

Absent

Jared Rhodes

Geoffrey Kirkman, Treasurer

Staff Present

Michael OConnell, Executive Director

Christine Jocelyn, Director of Human Resources

Ken Boucher, Security Officer

Pat Cerbo, Purchasing Director

Brian Card, Director of Operations and Engineering

Sarah Kite, Director of Recycling Services

Tim McCormick, CFO

Mike McGonagle, Director of IT and Planning

Bill Anderson, Engineering Manager

Inga Hoit, Sr. Environmental Engineer

Nancy Minson, HR Coordinator

Others Present

Ron Ronzio, Allied Court Reporter

Joe Rodio, Sr. Rodio & Ursillo

David Ursillo, Rodio & Ursillo

Ray Choiniere, House Policy Office

Kelly Carpenter, Senate Fiscal Office

John Blessington, K & L Gates

Chris Valente, K & L Gates

Call to Order

Chairman Quinn called the meeting to order at 9:08 A.M. Pledge of Allegiance followed by Roll Call. Commissioners Sabitoni, DiPaolo, Licht, and Lombardi present.

Agenda Items

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes from 02/29/12

Motion to accept the minutes made by Commissioner Sabitoni. Seconded by Commissioner DiPaolo. Passed 4-0.

2. Executive Director Update

a. Single Stream Process

The Single Stream has been up and running since last week. So far it is going very well. We are no longer using the temporary facility. We are running at 20-25 tons per hour. The capacity is 50 tons per hour. We will be doing a test run with the towns of Burrillville and North Smithfield. There will be a meeting with (add)Ventures and the Recycling Subcommittee on Thursday to review the branding. We are preparing to have a ribbon cutting ceremony on June 7th, probably between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. The Board requested that Sarah Kite provide them with a list of communication activities.

b. Senate Oversight Committee

Chairman Quinn, Gary Maddocks, Sarah Kite, and Tim McCormick attended the Oversight Committee meeting with Mike OConnell. Many questions came up regarding recycling. It was a very positive and productive meeting.

c. New Rule on E-waste

After three years, we received the new rules on E-Waste. Resource Recovery has responded to DEM, and the regs are heading toward adoption.

d. Cornerstone Visit

The visit was scheduled to take place this week but it has been rescheduled for Monday of next week due to Broadrock not providing requested documents.

e. Volumes

We are still getting our normal volume of trash. January and February are traditionally slow. There has been a pickup in the month of March. We are running equal to last year minus Waste Haulers. Waste Haulers still has \$40,000 to repay Rhode Island Resource Recovery. They started at \$900,000.

f. Subcommittees

There will be a Governance Subcommittee meeting on April 4th and a Finance Subcommittee at the end of April to review the budget. The budget will be proposed for adoption at the May Board meeting.

g. IFB for Sewer Connection

The IFB for the sewer connection will go out on Monday and Commissioner Sabitoni will get a copy. It will be about five weeks turnaround. Resource Recovery has a grant request in to the EPA for 50% funding. Jared Rhodes from DOA is helping Resource Recovery to find out where that is in the process.

h. Pre-Treatment Facility

The Kushner Resolution is moving ahead to issue a bond with the backing of the state. The interest rate will likely be less than 5%, possibly 4%. Resource Recovery will retire the revenue bond on the Tip Facility, allowing us to use that facility as needed with no IRS implications. The annual fees will be \$750k to \$1M higher than today and can be absorbed.

i. New Flooring

The new, durable tile-flooring for the Board Room will be installed in May. The work is being done in house.

The Board of Commissioners asked if there had been any odor complaints we've had any odor complaints. OConnell states that we've only had one odor complaint in the last month. We did have a couple of odor complaints due to compost.

3. New Contracts

a. Aggregate Materials

Two types of Aggregate Materials are used on site in our daily operations. Materials are 1) Reclaimed and/or processed, and 2) Granular Materials and reclaimed Asphalt product. Materials #1 will be used for daily/intermediate cover in our operations and materials and materials #2 will be used to re-surface many of our haul roads. Lakeview Farms was the low bidder. Their bid was discounted because the material did not meet the properties per RIDEM Residential Direct Exposure Limits. Before the contract is awarded, Resource Recovery will review the materials to ensure that they meet the specifications. Commissioner Licht offered to assist with RIDOT in obtaining material.

Resolution: Be it resolved that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the Executive Director to enter into contractual agreements for the supply and delivery of Aggregate Materials (IFB #938) between Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation and the following two firms: JR Vinagro Corporation of Johnston, RI for an amount not to exceed \$1,136,000 (for approximately 200,000 tons of Materials #1 at the unit price of \$5.68/ton) and Cumberland Quarry Corporation of Cumberland, RI for an amount not to exceed \$149,400 (for approximately 20,000 tons of Materials #2 at the unite price of \$7.47/ton.). The contract will commence upon execution and continue until August 30, 2012. Motion to accept made by Commissioner Lombardi and seconded by Commissioner Dormody. Passed 4-0. Commissioner Sabitoni recused.

4. Contract Renewals

a. Machine Fluids and Lubricants

For the current term, Rhode Island Resource Recovery has spent approximately \$45,000 in total among three vendors, less than anticipated. This is a credit to the maintenance staff and their good preventive maintenance in eliminating leaks and spills. Splitting between three vendors allows the corporation to purchase the most cost effective, best quality item for us in operations.

Resolution: Be it resolved that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the Executive Director to enter into renewal agreements for the purchase and delivery of machine fluids and lubricants (IFB #933) between Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation and the following firms: G.H. Berlin of East Hartford, CT, Dennison Lubricants, Inc. of Lakeville, MA and Industrial Oil & Supply, Co. Inc. of Woonsocket, RI for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$100,000.00,

split between the vendors as necessary. The renewal term will commence on or about April 1, 2012 and continue until September 30, 2012. Motion to accept made by Commissioner Sabitoni. Seconded by Commissioner DiPaolo. Passed 5-0.

5. Contract Increases

None.

6. Other Business

a. Gas Collection Update

Sr. Environmental Engineer Inga Hoit presented three pieces of information, including graphs, namely an email from Sam Bond at Broadrock providing some updated comments; a graph of Total Instantaneous Flow of the Landfill Gas Trend; and a graph of Engines Gas Trends. In December we were at the highest of 13,000 scfm's but we have been slowly declining since January through March. The Engineering team has given Broadrock recommendations for corrective action, including repairs to the ULE. However, after repeated attempts we has not gotten any response back from Broadrock.

b. Board of Commissioners Subcommittee Appointments

Chairman Quinn said he was not able communicate with fellow board members regarding subcommittee appointments. This was tabled to the Board meeting in April.

Motion to move to Executive Session under 42-46-5(2) following recess and return in Executive Session made by Chairman Quinn and seconded by Commissioner Sabitoni. Passed 5-0. Recessed at 9:45 A.M. and reconvened at 10:06 A.M.

7. Executive Session

Motion to approve Executive Session Meeting Minutes from 2/29/12 made by Commissioner Sabitoni and seconded by Commissioner Dormody. Passed 4-0.

Motion to return to regular session made by Commissioner Quinn and seconded by Commissioner Lombardi. Passed 4-0.

Motion to seal the minutes made by Commissioner Lombardi and seconded by Commissioner Sabitoni. Passed 4-0.

8. Next Meeting Date

Wednesday, April 25, 2012, 9:00 A.M. per schedule to be confirmed.

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Quinn and seconded by Commissioner Sabitoni. Passed 4-0. Adjourned at 11:15 A.M.