

Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County, Florida
Executive Committee Meeting
June 28, 2024, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Broward County Government Center West
1st Floor Board Room – Surtax Plaza
1 North University Drive
Plantation, FL 33324

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order, roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

Present: Chair Ross, Vice Chair Furr, and Members Davis, Dunn, Mead, AJ Ryan, Villalobos, and Alternates Breitkreuz and Mayersohn.

Members present via Teams: Member Mike Ryan.

Not present: Members Metayer Bowen, Newton, and Shuham, and Alternates Glassman and Geller.

The meeting continued with public comment.

Member Mead made a motion to approve the 6-28-24 minutes, seconded by Member Villalobos. A voice vote was called, and the motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director Storti presented the Executive Directors report. He provided a financial update. Presented the 3-year draft budget update taking into consideration comments from the last meeting. He will be looking for approval on the budget at the August meeting. He noted that there will be no increase over last year's assessment. The committee discussed the need to communicate with city managers as soon as possible. Executive Storti agreed to send out emails to both the Solid Waste Governing Board members and city managers informing them of no increase in assessment. The committee discussed the education line item. Consensus was to raise the line item to \$225,000. The committee discussed the 40% surplus reflected in the 3 year budget and discussed the intent and plan for surplus funds and potential redistribution or use for items identified in the master plan. Executive Director Storti discussed Solid Waste Community Outreach and Public Education as well as the website development. He shared that Conceptual Communications is developing the wireframe and the website should be ready by August 15th. Executive Director Storti also announced they are looking at the Public Workshop on September 18th at 6PM and the location is TBD. Mercury is working on phased education and messaging campaign. The committee discussed the need for a social media presence and directed Executive Storti to secure necessary domains and social media handles. They emphasized the importance of integration of social media with the website.

SCS Engineers provided a Master Plan Project Update. They shared that some cities have not yet submitted required data. Some cities noted that they had submitted the data but there were potential issues with firewalls when uploading. They reiterated targeting September 18th for the first public-facing meeting with a focus on outreach and engagement. SCS shared the guiding principles:

- Zero Waste Focus.
- Environmental Compliance.
- Growth Management Compliance.
- Long-Term Disposal Solution.

- Commercially Proven Technologies.
- Operational Excellence.
- Harmonization of Services County-Wide.
- Best Value Service.
- Control of Solid Waste Management Destiny.

They also shared key policies:

- 40-Year Planning Horizon.
- Waste Generated by Authority Membership Only.
- Out-of-County Disposal.
- Environmental Justice.
- Distance to Disposal Facilities.

Under New Business Member Mike Ryan addressed a remark made during public comment about a draft land use plan amendment for Monarch Hill that it should be discussed at this meeting. He emphasized the importance of this committee being educated on the issue and requested an update. Vice Chair Furr shared that there are negotiations going on between the county and Waste Management. The county has been holding off for a long time. The LUPA has to do with where the old waste to energy plant was located in Monarch Hill. WM wants it to go back to landfill and they have a right to be heard. This item has been deferred several times and it probably won't be heard until November after negotiations are complete. The committee requested that Executive Director Storti be allowed to attend negotiations meetings. The committee emphasized the importance of aligning county actions with the master plan which is currently scheduled for completion at the end of November. Alternate Breitzkreuz stated that he would like to see a document that gets distributed each month that lays out where we are, how we're tracking and any potential delays. SCS shared they are working on a document and it should be ready by Monday for distribution to the committee. Vice Chair Furr discussed breaking down the key policies presented prior to the next meeting detailing the pros and cons, where it has been done, how successful, etc. The committee discussed the date for the Solid Waste Authority Special workshop. The committee settled on meeting an hour before the next meeting on Aug. 23rd at 8:00 AM to be immediately followed by the SWA Executive Committee meeting at 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned.