



**MIDCOAST SOLID WASTE CORPORATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
March 23, 2022**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bob Falciani (Chair) – Camden, Alison McKellar (Treasurer) – Camden, Wendy Pelletier – Hope, Brian Powers, Jr – Hope, Josh Gerritsen– Lincolnville, Keryn Laite (Vice-Chair) – Lincolnville, Eric Boucher – Rockport, Debra Hall – Rockport

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:** David St. Laurent, MCSWC Interim Manager

Robert Falciani, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm.

**1. PUBLIC & DIRECTOR COMMENTS:** Chair Falciani recognized Peter Lindquist and JP Fecteau who were present to discuss programs the West Bay Rotary Satellite Club is interested in working on with MCSWC. Lindquist presented an overview of three programs reviewed with St. Laurent and McKellar that would support and build on the Regeneration program that is now in place. The programs included assisting with bicycle and lawn mower collections for the Regeneration reuse program, a proposal to put together a Repair Café to assist with repairing broken items headed for the trash and a discussion on organizing and assisting with local community trash pickups several times a year to be boosted with better PR and marketing. Falciani, a member of the West Bay Rotary, expressed that that group is looking to branch out into area communities with these types of programs. Lindquist will forward a pdf to McKellar and Falciani for additional review.

**2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL JANUARY 26, 2022 and MARCH 2, 2022 MEETING MINUTES:**

Chair Falciani entertained a motion to approve the minutes of January 26, 2022. *Josh Gerritsen moved to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2022 meeting as presented. Laite seconded. No Discussion. Motion passed (100% in favor and 0 opposed).*

Chair Falciani entertained a motion to approve the minutes of March 2, 2022. *Josh Gerritsen moved to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2022 meeting as presented. Laite seconded. No Discussion. Motion passed (100% in favor and 0 opposed).*

**3. FACILITY MANAGER REPORT:**

Chair Falciani welcomed St. Laurent back to the Board. Falciani asked if there were any items or issues that the Board should be apprised of regarding MCSWC. St. Laurent commented on current leachate issues facing the facility and his intentions to inform the Board in a more in depth discussion that will include costs at a future meeting. McKellar stated that costs, when known, would likely be a

portion of a budget line item. The leachate line will be run with a camera inspection from the Oder Control Building to the Extraction Well and based on the results there could be a substantial cost if issues such as the discovery of a leak. The inspection line work is part of annual DEP reporting requirements. The full storm water overflow system will be inspected this spring for the DEP report as well. St. Laurent will begin looking at possible preparations for future overflow of storm water from the Northern End of the Jacobs Quarry.

St. Laurent discussed a recent request of a neighboring property owner Dave Zontini who is planning to install solar panels on a building roof located on the right side of the facility exit road. Zontini requests removal of some trees (three larger trees and two smaller trees) from between the properties offering to replant other smaller trees to replace them. Laite asked if he would incur the cost of the project, St. Laurent said Zontini would be incurring all costs. Boucher asked if a precedence that would be set for other neighboring properties for other requests on property line issues with trees or other work. St. Laurent suggested the request is being considered neighborly at this time. McKellar suggested seeing Zontini's plan would be helpful as there may be plans for MCSWC for work on the exit road that may need other agreements when MCSWC may be looking for cooperation in the future. Gerritsen asked if Zontini could come and present the information at the next meeting. St. Laurent will make that arrangement with Zontini and review any other known issues known at this time for work on the MCSWC exit. Falciani highlighted the need for development of a policy to assist with requests / reviews from adjoining property owners.

**4. ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF MIKE MARTUNAS:**

Chair Falciani entertained a motion to accept the resignation for Michael Martunas. ***Alison McKellar moved to accept the resignation of Michael Martunas. Keryn Laite seconded. Discussion followed, Pelletier asked for a moment to read the letter from Martunas. Falciani called the motion. Motion passed (100% in favor and 0 opposed).***

**5. POTENTIAL RECYCLING AREA CHANGES:**

Falciani opened discussion on revisiting plans to resurrect the topic of how recycling materials at the facility flow and are processed. It was noted the task would fall to the Capital & Strategic Planning Committee (C&SP) that will begin work to move these changes forward.

St Laurent provided a diagram showing an overview to revamping the traffic pattern, and design better use of the Recycling Building by allowing a drive in method for the recycling drop off system. Employees will no longer need to move the large bins for dumping, as residents through the side of the recycle building will place material. The employees will bale material from inside the building. Truck and car traffic will be reconfigured and the scale will be moved to the JQNorthern side of the facility. Laite opened a discussion on the proposed new traffic pattern. Powers opened discussion on the new baling process. Falciani suggested Capitol & Strategic Planning Committee look at the proposed suggestions and ideas and prioritize working with Dave to make a presentation for the Board. Hall questioned the number of open positions noted at the last meeting and whether they would still need to be filled. St. Laurent answered that there are no open positions at this time. St. Laurent said the efficiency of the new system would be addressed

concerning personnel after the transition. McKellar clarified the members of the C&SP Committee as David St. Laurent as Interim Manager, Robert Falciani, Alison McKellar, Keryn Laite and Eric Boucher.

**6. FINANCIALS:**

McKellar noted both expense and revenue finances are doing well at this time. Boucher asked about the sheetrock line and why Revenue and Expenses are not more in line with similar percentages at this point in the budgeted year and inquired if costs had gone up substantially. McKellar discussed that some sales for revenue are in the charge account balances owed on a regular basis. A second discussion on the Mixed Load Rate, added recently to the revenue receipts, was held. St. Laurent will review the costs associated with sheetrock expenses and a review of the mixed load percentages and if they affect the sheetrock numbers.

**7. EXECUTIVE SESSION: PURSUANT TO CONTRACTS, 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)D, AND PERSONNEL MATTERS 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A)**

*Falciani entertained a motion to leave the regular meeting at 7:15 pm and go into Executive Session pursuant to Contract, 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(D) and Personnel Matter and 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A).*

*Boucher moved to leave regular meeting and go into Executive Session as stated by Falciani.*

*Motion was seconded. No Discussion. Motion passed (100% in favor and 0 opposed)*

*Chair Falciani moved to exit Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. and reconvene the regular board meeting. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Chair Falciani entertained a motion. Debra Hall moved to accept the Union Agreement as presented. Josh Gerritsen seconded. No Discussion. Motion passed (100% in favor and 0 opposed)*

**8. ADJOURN:**

*Chair Falciani adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Kwiatkowski, Recording Secretary

*If there are any questions regarding the decisions made at the meeting please refer to the meeting video found at [www.youtube.com/TownofCamdenMaine](http://www.youtube.com/TownofCamdenMaine)*

**SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

**Board of Directors Meetings:**

May 25, 2022, 6:30 pm, John French Jr. Conference Room – Camden Town Office

July 27, 2022, ANNUAL MEETING, John French Jr. Conference Room – Camden Town Office