

**Mifflin County Solid Waste Authority  
MINUTES  
Regular Meeting of April 22, 2015**

**Members Present:** Carl Hartley, Carl Smith, Dave Conner, Frank Welsh, Dan Dunmire and Randy Leister

**Members Absent:** Bob Bowman

**Guests:** Ben Rager, Lewistown Borough Refuse Dept.  
Brad Kerstetter, Juniata County Planning Dept.  
Jay Alexander and Marci Omdorf, CCSWA/WTL

**Staff Present:** Lisa Smith, Director

**Consultants Present:** None

**Call to Order:** Chairman Welsh called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**Public Comment:**  
None

**Review of Public Minutes:**

Last meetings minutes were presented for adoption. Mr. Dunmire made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Conner. All voted in favor.

**Personnel:**  
None

**Financial Information:**

Ms. Smith presented the 2015 tonnage and YTD Financial Summary information.

- YTD tonnage is 72.49 tons ahead of projections
- YTD diversion rate is .81%
- YTD average trailer weight is 20.58 tons
- YTD revenue & expense report net income is \$15,503.91
- YTD net income/(loss) overall including capital expenditures is (\$16,467.81)

Ms. Smith reviewed the payables and answered all questions from the Board. Mr. Dunmire made a motion to approve and Mr. Smith seconded the payment of checks nos. 23644-23722 with no voids noted. All members voted in favor.

Ms. Smith gave Mr. Hartley checkbook reconciliation files of previous month for his review. Mr. Hartley retained file to review and will return when complete.

Ms. Smith reviewed the Collections Report with less than \$20,000 over 30 days again this month. There were no comments or questions from the Board.

**New Administrative/Operational Issues**

Ms. Smith informed the Board that the Annual PaDep Reports for the transfer station and closed landfill are complete. The Checks approved on payables report and signature pages signed at today's meeting will go in the mail this week to Nittany Engineering to remit final reports to PaDep.

Ms. Smith also had Chairman Welsh execute a PIRMA agreement per Kish Agency's request to update the original agreement from 2008.

Ms. Smith informed the board that a new adjacent property owner was in contact with staff. He owns a small piece of access road property outside the entry gate.

**Updates on Pending Administration/Operational Issue**

Ms. Smith updated the Board on the Habitat for Humanity project noting the project is still under development.

Ms. Smith gave another positive progress report on the Clinton transition prior to Ms. Orndorf and Mr. Alexander reviewing the first quarter handouts passed out to the board for review.

Ms. Smith informed the Board of the upcoming grand opening of the Apple Valley Single Stream facility on May 14, 2015 and expressed her desire to attend. She extended an invitation to all parties at the meeting. This may be beneficial in future planning for the Authority operations.

Based on earlier extensive discussions with Ms. Smith, Chairman Welsh presented information regarding Sunshine Connection and their operations. Notes on this presentation are on file with these minutes. Mr. Rager and Mr. Kerstetter were quite familiar with the situation. They agreed with the information presented and had no additional comments. Ms. Smith will continue to stay informed on the issue as she has in the past and will provide information/assistance when requested.

**Executive Session:**

None

**Other Business:**

**Adjourn:**

Pending no other business, Mr. Dunmire moved, seconded by Mr. Conner to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Carl Hartley  
Secretary/Treasurer

Discussion of Sunshine Connection  
MCSWA Meeting on April 22, 2015

**1) Background/History**

Until recently Marlin Spickler was in charge of the Sunshine Connection (SC).  
Recently Mr. Spickler has taken a medical leave of absence.  
Ms. Smith had dealt with Marlin 2 or 3 years ago and from time-to-time since then.  
She provided information to Mr. Spickler regarding solid waste management and recycling operations.  
It appears that none of her advice was utilized in the SC operations.

**2) SC Operations**

Long-term storage of recyclables in warehouse owned by Scott Noerr.  
No buyer for recyclables.  
Yellow bins that had been placed at various locations for clothing donations were contaminated with trash. Therefore, solid waste is stored in the warehouse.  
Styrofoam was collected and stored in the warehouse. Processing (compaction) of styrofoam results in the release of toxic fumes.  
Understand that no DEP permits were obtained and no DEP inspections have occurred.  
Recycling details have not been reported to Ms. Smith, Mifflin County Recycling Coordinator.  
Recent photos printed in the Lewistown Sentinel show violations.

**3) Current Situation**

Scott Noerr, VP of B2B, is stepping in to clean up the situation. He has been cooperative and understands the need to follow requirements.  
Bill Gomes, who is on the MH/MR Board, is suggesting that MCSWA help with the cleanup.

**4) Miscellaneous**

Marlin made arrangements to pull material from Penn State/Centre County. He did not report that to Joanne Shafer, the Centre County Recycling Coordinator. She is upset and has been at SC to take photographs. Ms. Shafer and Ms. Smith have discussed the situation.