

APPROVED

**CHITTENDEN SOLID WASTE DISTRICT
ZOOM MEETING/Williston Town Hall
December 21, 2022 – Regular Meeting**

PRESENT

BOARD MEMBERS:

Bolton	-----
Burlington	Lee Perry
Charlotte	Ken Spencer
Colchester	-----
Essex	Alan Nye
Essex Junction	Alan Nye
Hinesburg	Rick McCraw
Huntington	-----
Jericho	Leslie Nulty Tom Joslin, alt.
Milton	Henry Bonges
Richmond	-----
Shelburne	-----
So. Burlington	Paul Stabler Allison Lazarz, alt.
Underhill	Paul Ruess Dan Steinbauer, alt
Westford	Katie Frederick
Williston	-----
Winooski	Bryn Oakleaf Ron Stotyn, alt.

STAFF:

Sarah Reeves	Michele Morris
Amy Jewell	Nola Ricci
Jen Holliday	Josh Tyler

OTHERS PRESENT:

Thomas Melloni, Esq.

AGENDA:

1. Agenda
2. Public Comment Period
3. Consent Agenda
4. Other Business
5. Administrative Office
6. Executive Session
7. Memorandum of Understanding

1. CALL TO ORDER and AGENDA Chair Paul Ruess called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm. S. Reeves notes a change she needs to make to the Executive Director update and suggests removing Agenda Item # “5. Administrative Building”. This project will be going out to bid, so no action needed now. It was proposed by H. Bonges, Representative from Milton to include a discussion on furniture deconstruction on the agenda. This will be discussed under Other Business.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - No discussion.

3. Consent Agenda – Accepted as presented. S. Reeves presents change to ‘Executive Director’ update, item regarding EPA grant is updated to note the grant extension due date was extended to February 15th.

4. Other Business - It was proposed by H. Bonges, Representative from Milton to include a discussion on furniture deconstruction on the agenda. H. Bonges presented his interest in pursuing opportunities for furniture deconstruction and opened a conversation regarding present difficulties recycling furniture and opportunities for further furniture recycling. Possible solutions include possible pilot programs of deconstruction into recyclable parts of furniture at the MRF, after the building has been decommissioned. L. Nulty notes her interest in the idea, asks for any solid waste districts currently doing furniture deconstruction. S. Reeves notes she is not aware of any districts doing deconstruction, as there is concern regarding space, but also notes specific programs like Sleep Well or the ARCC mattress recycling are providing similar services. Discussion of difficulties with recyclable materials markets is also held. P. Ruess asks if there is a volume or percentage of furniture recyclables that come through the Drop-Off Centers; this number is not readily available but could be found in the state report. R. McGraw notes that this conversation encourages a start of the new use of the old MRF building, which is added to the agenda for March/ April 2023.

5. Executive Session

MOTION BY P. Stabler , SECOND by A. Nye, to move that the Board of Commissioners of the Chittenden Solid Waste District go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations in regard to the City of Burlington Flynn Avenue property and the MRF Casella Contract where premature general public knowledge would clearly place the District, its member municipalities, and other public bodies or persons involved at a substantial disadvantage and to permit authorized staff, other invited interested parties, and the Solid Waste District attorney to be present for this session. VOTING: unanimous; motion carried to enter Executive Session at 6:20 p.m.

MOTION by A. Nye, Second by L. Nulty to exit Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting. VOTING: unanimous; motion carried to exit Executive Session at 8:15 p.m.

8. Memorandum of Understanding

MOTION by P. Stabler, Second by A. Nye that BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners authorizes the Executive Director to extend the Memorandum of Understanding with the City

of Burlington to June 30, 2023 and follow the provisions and summary terms as presented by city Department of Public Works Director Chapin Spencer in his memo to the Burlington City Council, dated December 5, 2022. VOTING: unanimous; L. Perry abstains. Motion carries.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by L. Nulty, Second by B. Oakleaf to adjourn the meeting. VOTING: unanimous; motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Amy Jewell, Recording Secretary

I agree that this is an original copy of minutes and they have been approved by motion of the Board of Commissioners at the _____ meeting held in Williston.

Amy Jewell,

Secretary