

**RAPPAHANNOCK REGIONAL  
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD**

Wednesday  
May 16, 2012  
Stafford County's Administration Center  
Board of Supervisors Chambers

**Meeting Convened.** A regular meeting of the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) was convened at 1:30 P.M., Wednesday, May 16, 2012, at the Stafford County Administration Center, Board of Supervisors Chambers.

**Roll Call.** The following members were present: Paul V. Milde, III, Vice Chairman; Beverley R. Cameron; Anthony J. Romanello; Gary Snellings; and George Solley. Frederic N. Howe, III, Chairman was absent.

Also in attendance were: William H. Hefty, Esq., R-Board Attorney; Robert L. Hundley, Resource International, Ltd., Consulting Engineer; Steve Crosby, Interim Landfill Superintendent; Doug Martinski, Assistant Superintendent of Solid Waste Management; Diane L. Jones, Recycling Coordinator; and Patricia S. Rowe, Clerk.

Others in attendance were Jeff Harvey and Susan Blackburn, Department of Planning and Zoning; and Brenda Gibbs, Republic Services.

**Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman:**

Mr. Solley motioned, seconded by Mr. Snellings, to nominate Mr. Milde as Chairman to become effective July 1, 2012.

There were no other nominations.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea:	(4)	Cameron, Romanello, Snellings, Solley
Nay:	(0)	
Abstain:	(1)	Milde

Mr. Milde motioned, seconded by Mr. Snellings, to nominate Mr. Solley as Vice Chairman effective July 1, 2012.

There were no other nominations.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea:	(4)	Cameron, Milde, Romanello, Snellings
Nay:	(0)	
Abstain:	(1)	Solley

Mr. Solley motioned, seconded by Mr. Snellings, to approve the February 15, 2012 and April 23, 2012 minutes.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea:	(5)	Cameron, Milde, Romanello, Snellings, Solley
Absent:	(1)	Howe

**Presentation by the Public:** There were no presentations by the public.

**Report of the R-Board Attorney.** Mr. Hefty reported that there is no prohibition against out of county waste being taken in by the Regional Landfill.

**Report of the Consulting Engineer.** Mr. Hundley reported on the following:

**Old Permit No. 74 (Old Stafford County Landfill - Post Closure)**

- The quarterly landfill gas sampling event from March indicated that all monitoring probes were in compliance. The next quarterly sampling event will occur in June.
- Resource received comments from the DEQ on the previously submitted Assessment of Corrective measures related to minor exceedances of the groundwater levels at the 74 area. Resource is coordinating with the R-Board staff to implement the additional effort required by the DEQ comments.

**Permit No. 589 (Cells A/B/C/D/E - Active)**

- Resource and the DEQ are coordinating closely to develop the R-Board's Part B draft permit for Phase 2. DEQ has been helpful during the review process and is willing to approve the Resource submittal with certain conditions written into the permit.
- The Cell F-1 pre-construction meeting was held at the landfill on April 16, 2012. The agreed upon date for the Notice to Proceed was April 18. Excavation of the Cell F-1 area and preparation of the stockpile area has proceeded since that time.
- Resource submitted the annual tonnage report, Solid Waste Information Assessment (SWIA) report to the DEQ for the facility's solid waste and recyclables tonnage in late March.
- Resource has been authorized by the DEQ to install additional monitoring wells farther from the disposal limits of the 589 area to account for the metals disturbance encountered within the monitoring wells closer to the disposal cells. Resource will coordinate with the R-Board staff to install the additional wells.

**Fredericksburg Landfill**

- Resource has conducted weekly monitoring of the landfill gas monitoring probes following the installation of the condensate removal system at the site. To date, two consecutive weeks of good readings have been collected. The City and Resource continue to work closely with the DEQ regarding assessment of the new system and any modifications that may be required to the facility's Landfill Gas Remediation Plan.

**Report on Finances:** Mr. Crosby reported on the following:

- Landfill Aging Report
- Weight and Material Analysis
- Landfill Revenue
- Landfill Expenses

Mr. Crosby reported that tonnage for April was down from last year's total and provided a bar chart showing 2011/2012 tonnage which had previously been requested by Mr. Howe. Waste Management only brought in 600 tons last month compared to 2000 tons previously and staff hopes that this will change. As part of an incentive meeting with County Waste to bring in 4000 tons per month, they have only brought in 290 tons to date so staff will be monitoring this situation. Mr. Crosby stated that revenues are down but the good news is that expenditures are also down with \$700,000 anticipated under budget.

**Report of Staff:** Mr. Crosby reported on the following:

**Cell F-1**

Work is progressing well. Clearing has been done and earthwork is approximately one-third complete. The project is on schedule for completion in September.

**Compost Facility**

Small amounts of compost have been made but interest in purchases by the bucket has been minimal. Staff will be re-evaluating plans for bulk sales next Spring.

**VADEQ Inspection**

DEQ has made two inspections since the last R-Board meeting. The most recent was May 1<sup>st</sup>. Nothing of significance was noted during the inspections. There were some comments about controlling waste on the face of the landfill.

**Staffing**

Three employees are taking training classes to prepare them for taking the exam for Landfill Manager certification. Only two employees are currently certified and regulations require a certified Landfill Manager to be on site at all times. Staff continues to look for ways to operate more efficiently in order to reduce personnel related costs.

**Road Clean Up**

A report covering road cleanup activity subsidized by the R-Board is attached to the staff report. The data covers the period from July 1, 2011 thru April 30, 2012. There is a change in the reporting format. The activity for Stafford County and City of Fredericksburg is being reported separately.

**Environmental Management System (EMS)**

Staff has discovered that it would have to apply every year through a formal process for the E-4 status at a cost of \$2000 annually which would create no new benefits or reduction in state fees. Mr. Crosby stated that it is too late to apply for this year but between now and next spring staff will require some direction from the Board if it desires applying for this status. Mr. Milde responded that he could see the benefit of having the higher designation and asked what would be required to comply with E-4. Mr. Hundley responded that the landfill would be required to have additional plans for such issues as spill prevention and/or stormwater plans which would be above and beyond what is currently required. Mr. Crosby stated that application would have to be made at the beginning of the calendar year and again, that staff will apply next year if that is the desire of the Board.

Mr. Baroody introduced Mr. Jeff Harvey, Planning and Zoning, to speak on signage in the public right-of-ways in the county. Mr. Harvey stated that Planning and Zoning has been coordinating with the R-Board staff on frequent violators and have sent letters to two companies advising

them that putting up signage is against county code. Mr. Harvey stated that staff is pursuing other endeavors from other jurisdictions on contacting the offenders. One venue suggested was robo calls to the offenders. Mr. Baroody stated that the software would cost about \$300 and could certainly be purchased. Mr. Harvey has talked with Cathy Vollbrecht about raising the profile with press releases, op eds, etc. Mr. Milde asked what kind of response had Planning and Zoning received after making a phone call and Mr. Harvey stated that they had not made any calls.

### **Correspondence**

Mr. Crosby pointed out that Julie May is in Roanoke receiving an award by the VRA for the R-Board's outstanding education program and Mr. Crosby stated that Julie and staff should be commended on its education outreach efforts. Mr. Milde stated that the R-Board staff runs an incredible operation and he is proud to be on the R-Board.

### **New Business:**

Mr. Crosby stated that the first item is the FY2013 budget and with assumptions made which are essentially continuing the current operating programs, keeping four authorized positions vacant which are currently vacant and assuming that vendors take advantage of the reduced gate rate, the

R-Board is still showing a \$700,000 shortage. Capital Improvements for FY13 would include rebuild of two pieces of equipment, three compactors and four compactor boxes for the Belman site and how and when this is implemented could be dependent on arrangements with Republic Waste to transfer this waste across the street. Also, \$37,000 for electricity and a new mixer in the compost facility and \$18,000 for a tire de-rimmer which would save in hauling costs.

Mr. Crosby reported that cash analysis shows \$10.2 million in the FY2011 audit, with an operating loss of \$300,000, FY2012's budget was \$6.2 million with an operating loss of \$700,000, FY2013 budget of \$5.5 million, FY2014 closing of Cells C,D and E for a cost of \$2,000,000 with an operating loss of \$700,000. With a continuing loss of \$700,000 per year, by June 30, 2018, there will be a zero bank balance. He also stated that because this is not an authority, any unfunded liabilities of the R-Board will fall to the balance sheets of the City and the County. Also showing on the cash analysis is an estimate of some of the program costs such as the Litter Crew, \$250,000; Sunday closing, \$70,000; and Recycling sites, \$50,000. Collecting recyclables from the drop-off sites costs the R-Board \$107 per ton which is sold for \$20 per ton and all recyclables coming from the drop-off sites is less than 2% of the total recyclables reported.

Mr. Milde stated that conversation would have to be started and maybe the County would have to sponsor the litter crew and did anyone have a problem looking at the drop-off sites at a future meeting. Mr. Crosby responded that if the Board seriously considered this action to accept closure, he would assume that a comprehensive education program would be implemented so that the public would understand why the sites were being removed.

Mr. Romanello suggested, given the current circumstances, that R-Board staff, City and County staff convene and bring back to the Board a host of options to get on a different course.

Mr. Cameron motioned, seconded by Mr. Solley, to approve proposed Resolution RB12-05 to adopt the FY2013 Budget.

By voice vote, the vote was:

Yea: (5) Cameron, Milde, Romanello, Snellings, Solley  
Nay: (0)

**Resolution RB12-05 reads as follows:**

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED FY2013 RAPPAHANNOCK REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) has reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2013 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the R-Board finds the proposed Fiscal Year 2013 Budget to be acceptable;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board on this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012, that the proposed Fiscal Year 2013 Budget be and it hereby is adopted in the amount of FOUR MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$4,805,152).

Mr. Romanello motioned, seconded by Mr. Cameron, to adopt a reimbursement resolution for current capital improvement projects with Mr. Hefty approving the final wording

By voice vote, the vote was:

Yea: (5) Cameron, Milde, Romanello, Snellings, Solley  
Nay: (0)

Mr. Snellings motioned, seconded by Mr. Solley, to approve proposed Resolution RB12-06 to renew the contract for engineering services with Resource International, Ltd.

By voice vote, the vote was:

Yea: (5) Cameron, Milde, Romanello, Snellings, Solley  
Nay: (0)

**Resolution RB12-06 reads as follows:**

A RESOLUTION TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) voted by Resolution RB11-04 to continue its relationship with Resource International, Ltd. as its engineering consultants with a professional services contract for a period of one (1) year commencing July 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the R-Board has the option to renew this contract for four (4) additional years to be negotiated and approved by both parties;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board on this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012, that the County Administrator be and he hereby is authorized to execute a professional services contract with Resource International, Ltd. for a period of one (1) year commencing July 1, 2012 through June 2013 in an amount not to exceed TWO HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$247,500).

Mr. Romanello motioned, seconded by Mr. Solley, to approve proposed Resolution RB12-07 to budget and appropriate funds for CIP.

By voice vote, the vote was:

Yea: (5) Cameron, Milde, Romanello, Snellings, Solley

Nay: (0)

**Resolution RB12-07 reads as follows:**

A RESOLUTION TO BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS  
FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AT THE REGIONAL LANDFILL

WHEREAS, during the rezoning process, Augustine No. Section 5A and Brentsmill have proffered funds to the Regional Landfill; and

WHEREAS, the payment of \$6,864 has been received to satisfy the proffer in the fourth quarter of FY2012; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be used for capital improvements at the Regional Landfill;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board on this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012, that proffered funds of SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR DOLLARS (\$6,864) be and it hereby is budgeted and appropriated to the R-Board for Capital Improvements at the Regional Landfill.

Mr. Romanello motioned, seconded by Mr. Cameron, to approve proposed Resolution RB12-08 to appropriate funds for uncompleted FY2012 projects.

By voice vote, the vote was:

Yea: (5) Cameron, Milde, Romanello, Snellings, Solley

Nay: (0)

**Resolution RB12-08 reads as follows:**

A RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE THE FY2013 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) has executed commitments for services that will not be received by June 30, 2012, and for which funding was provided in FY2012; and

WHEREAS, at the close of the current fiscal year, all appropriations shall lapse for budget items other than capital projects, encumbrances and commitments and grants; and

WHEREAS, the County Administrator is authorized to maintain the following appropriations as noted or until the Board, by resolution, changes or eliminates the designated appropriations:

- (i) Capital projects, until the completion of the project;
- (ii) Encumbrances and commitments;
- (iii) Grant funds for the duration of the grant; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board on this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2012, that at the close of the fiscal year, all appropriations lapse for budget items other than capital projects and grants. Appropriations designated for capital projects will remain appropriations until the completion of the project or until the Board, by resolution, changes or eliminates the appropriation.

**Future Session:** The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 15, 2012, Board of Supervisors Chambers, Stafford County Administration Center.

**Adjournment.** The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:03 P.M.

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Frederic N. Howe, III, Chairman

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Paul V. Milde, III, Vice Chairman

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Patricia S. Rowe, Clerk

