



## Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board

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### R-Board Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Convened:** A regular meeting of the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) was convened at 12:03 p.m. on May 11, 2022, at George L. Gordon, Jr. Government Center, 1300 Courthouse Road, Stafford, VA 22554 in the Board of Supervisors Chambers. The meeting was noticed on the R-Board's website.

**Roll Call:** The following members were present: Michael Dennie, Vic Eilenfield, Matt Kelly, Danny Shifflett, and Billy Withers

Also in attendance were: Francesca Johnson, Advisory Committee Staff Liaison; and Rob Clendenin, Waste Management.

#### Agenda Item

##### Welcome and Introductions

- Introduction of Advisory Committee Members
- Introduction of staff liaison

##### Presentations by the Public

- None

##### Election of Officers

- Chairman Matt Kelly was elected
  - By roll call, the vote was:
    - Yea: (4) Dennie, Eilenfield, Shifflett, Withers
    - Nay: (0)
- Vice Chairman Michael Dennie was elected
  - By roll call, the vote was:
    - Yea: (4) Eilenfield, Kelly, Shifflett, Withers
    - Nay: (0)

##### Discussion of work moving forward – Chairman

- Approximately 2-3 years ago, Mr. Kelly met with representatives of 5 jurisdictions that deal with waste at the George Washington Regional Commission (GWRC). Question was raised if burying garbage was sustainable for this region. Unanimous answer was no.
- Mr. Kelly would like to start the conversation on seeing what the next steps for waste management should be. Start broad and work way in.
- Mr. Kelly stated that Spotsylvania could be a good resource for composting discussion.
- Do we need to bring in additional resources in? Mr. Kelly hopes to bring in GWRC Environmental Planner to these discussions.



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### Comments by Advisory Committee Members

- Mr. Eilenfield mentioned possibly having a reuse section at the landfill in a controlled setting (ie. furniture, firewood, etc.)
- Mr. Shifflett mentioned yard waste has to be separate from trash in Prince William County.
  
- Mr. Dennie stated composting is beneficial for soil, and landfill space conservation. Around 34% of landfill contributions (food waste, yard waste) are compostable. Is it possible to incentivize communities to startup community composting initiatives?
- Mr. Kelly stated Arlington County has a composting program where you pay composting containers through a private company.
- Mr. Kelly stated do we look at public private as an option?
- Mr. Kelly stated do we look at waste to energy to do a self-contained facility generating own electricity?
- Mr. Kelly wants R-Board staff at the next meeting to provide updates on how the R-Board operates, what the funding is, where we are on recycling, where we are on composting, and what agreements we have with Goodwill, Habitat, and electronics agreement. Hope to have ideas to bring to George Washington Regional Commission (GWRC) to see if anyone wants to come on board at a bigger level.

### Adjournment **Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:59 p.m**

**Next Meeting:** A regular meeting will be held on June 29, 2022, at 12 p.m. at George L. Gordon, Jr. Government Center, 1300 Courthouse Road, Stafford, VA 22554, Conference Room A/B/C, 2nd floor.

The purpose of the Advisory Committee is to advise the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) on long-term goals, changes, and technologies for managing solid waste.