

**April 14, 2022**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
NEW HAVEN SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING AUTHORITY**

A regular meeting of the New Haven Solid Waste and Recycling Authority (the “Authority”) was held on April 14, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. online via Zoom Video Conference call.

Board members present: R. Bonito, J. Crespo, V. Fasano, D. Medina and M. Targove

Board member absent: W. Augustine

Others present Pierre Barbour, Executive Director  
Malinda M. Figueroa, Secretary  
Ken Vallera, All American Waste

Chair Jose Crespo began the meeting at 5:35 p.m. with approval of the March 10, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Victor Fasano made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Domingo Medina. There was no further discussion.

Voice Vote:

AYES: J. Crespo, V. Fasano, D. Medina and M. Targove

NAYES: NONE

ABSTENSIONS: NONE

Pierre Barbour presented the treasurers report for the month of March 2022.

Mr. Barbour presented the Municipal Solid Waste and Recycling tonnage reports for the month of March 2022. He noted that there were ten flow control violations still being vetted.

*[Rose Bonito joined the meeting]*

Mr. Barbour elaborated on his discussions with Helpsy, an umbrella company of Waste Zero, concerning textile recycling collection as negotiations with the Authority’s previous textile contractor, Bay State Textile, were at an impasse. Mr. Medina asked that the agreement for Helpsy include the language that the waste would not be dispersed to foreign countries. Mr. Fasano asked that language be added to the proposed agreement reserving the rights of the Authority to view the weighing of the tonnage at Helpsy’s warehouses and/or that the materials be weighed at the Authority’s scales prior to transport and references to New Hampshire law compliance, item six, be changed to Connecticut. Mr. Fasano made a motion to table the approval of contract for textile recycling collection at the transfer station to the May meeting, seconded by Mr. Medina. There was no further discussion.

Voice Vote:

AYES: R. Bonito, J. Crespo, V. Fasano, D. Medina and M. Targove

NAYES: NONE

ABSTENSIONS: NONE

Margaret Targove requested that the directors review the job description and send their suggestions to the committee. Mr. Medina recommended advertising broadly to gather a pool of candidates from platforms such as indeed, Google, LinkedIn, and Connecticut Recycling. The secretary suggested narrowing the advertising to professional affiliations of which the Authority is a member. Mr. Crespo suggested utilizing social media networks and sending the job description to New Haven Works. Discussion ensued concerning the schedule for search, posting timeline, first round selection and interviews, with an anticipated hiring date end of September/early October. The committee will meet on April 28 to go over the job description revisions and timeline and bring the job description to the Board for approval for the May meeting.

*[Victor Fasano exited the meeting]*

Ms. Targove made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy and negotiations with respect to contract renewal for Operation and Disposal Services, Mr. Medina seconded the motion. There was no further discussion.

Voice Vote:

AYES: R. Bonito, J. Crespo, D. Medina and M. Targove

NAYES: NONE

ABSTENSIONS: NONE

*Executive session began at 7:05 pm.*

Ms. Bonito made a motion to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Ms. Targove. There was no further discussion.

Voice Vote:

AYES: R. Bonito, J. Crespo, D. Medina and M. Targove

NAYES: NONE

ABSTENSIONS: NONE

*Executive session ended at 7:11 pm.*

Ms. Targove made a motion to table the discussion and approval of change in user fees item, seconded by Mr. Medina. There was no further discussion.

Voice Vote:

AYES: R. Bonito, J. Crespo, D. Medina and M. Targove

NAYES: NONE

ABSTENSIONS: NONE

Under old business Mr. Barbour indicated the capital improvement project has had no traction since the March meeting and that he should have a report for the Directors at the next meeting.

Under new business Mr. Barbour reiterated that he is pursuing flow control violations. The Authority has been made aware of a few noise ordinance complaints as it relates to licensed haulers. There was a small

hauler doing business in the City without a license and that has been corrected. The Authority changed their scrap metal hauler which is working out tremendously.

There were no other public comments.

Ms. Bonito made a motion to adjourn at 7:13 p.m., seconded by Mr. Medina.

Voice Vote:

AYES: R. Bonito, J. Crespo, D. Medina and M. Targove

NAYES: NONE

ABSTENSIONS: NONE

Respectfully submitted,  
Malinda M. Figueroa  
Secretary