

# SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

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## SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2017 – 6:00 PM CANOE BROOK SENIOR CENTER

**Present:** Chairman Muniz, J. Rollo, A. St. Thomas, M. Ricozzi and Solid Waste Supervisor D. McGowan

**Absent:** M. Barbour, R. Lasky

- Chairman Muniz called the Special Meeting of the Solid Waste Management Commission to order at 6:05 p.m.
- M. Ricozzi made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of the SWMC held February 8, 2017. J. Rollo seconded. The motion carried 2-0-2 with A. St. Thomas and P. Muniz abstaining.

### **Thimble Island Collection Contract Recommendation**

- Supervisor McGowan stated there were 3 responses received at the January 27, 2017 bid opening for the “Thimble Island Refuse and Recyclable Collection” contract. As requested by the Commission, the low bidder submitted additional references which were all positive. Supervisor McGowan recommended that the contract be awarded to Coastal Tide Marine Services at a cost of \$12,675.00 per year for the base three year contract with 2 optional one-year extensions. M Ricozzi made a motion to award the contract as recommended. J. Rollo seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **HazWaste Central Participation Recommendation**

- Supervisor McGowan recommended that the Commission approve the adoption of the resolution sent by Regional Water Authority reaffirming the Town’s commitment to participate in the HazWaste Central program for 3 years starting on July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020. The program has annually cost around \$20,000 to participate in and was included in the budget that was recently submitted to the Board of Finance. It was confirmed that the program’s operating costs were divided amongst the participating towns based on the number of 1 and 2 family homes and that the disposal costs were prorated based on the actual residents’ usage from Branford. A. St. Thomas made a motion to recommend to the Board of Finance and RTM that the Town of Branford accept the offer to participate per the resolution dated February 7, 2017 in the regional household hazardous waste collection center with the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority. Seconded by J. Rollo. Motion passed 3-0-1 with M. Ricozzi abstaining.

### **Solid Waste Supervisor’s Report**

- Supervisor McGowan reported had received comments from the Town Engineering Department in regards to the Scale Project package received from Criscuolo Engineering. He also provided the First Selectman with a copy and was awaiting comments back. He asked that the Commission please submit their final comments as soon as possible.
- He had received a proposal from a company called Eunomia to analyze our curbside collection options and provide modelling to help guide the Commission on any potential changes to our methodology. This stems from recent passage of the State’s Comprehensive Materials Management Strategy that provides guidance to reach the State’s goal of 60% diversion by 2024 and the constant questioning on potentially switching to single stream recycling. The Commission stated that they would like to review the proposal and potentially issue a Request for Proposals to solicit other proposals. Supervisor McGowan will email the proposal to the Commission for their review.
- He stated that he is contact with DEEP and WRAP plastic film recycling personnel to investigate a potential boat shrink wrap recycling program for the marinas and boat owners here in Town for this spring.

### **Chairman’s Report**

- Chairman Muniz stated that he had received the Planning and Zoning Commission's final conditions of approval for the solar energy installation at Ecology Park. They left open the possibility that the gazebo might be raised to restore the current views if impaired by the installation.

Chairman Muniz stated the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Solid Waste Management Commission will be Wednesday, April 12, 2017. M. Ricoszi made a motion to adjourn. A. St Thomas seconded. Chairman Muniz adjourned the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie J. Capezzone, Secretary