

Washtenaw Regional Resource Management Authority

4/19/2021; 1:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Auth, Akers, DiPietro, Hoffmeister, Fordice, Breyer

Members Absent:

Washtenaw County Staff Present: Eggermont, Garramone

Attorney: Davis

Members of the public present: Weir, Perry, Naples

Akers called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM.

Roll Call

Ann Arbor Township: DiPietro is attending remotely from Ann Arbor Township, Washtenaw County, MI

Pittsfield Township: absent

Scio Township: Auth is attending remotely from Scio Township, Washtenaw County, MI Washtenaw, MI.

Ypsilanti Township: Hoffmeister is attending remotely from Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County, MI

City of Dexter: Breyer is attending remotely from the City of Dexter, Washtenaw County, MI

City of Saline: Fordice is attending remotely from Norman, Cleveland County, OK

City of Ypsilanti: Akers is attending remotely from the City of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, MI

Approval of agenda for 4/19 meeting

Motion to approve agenda without amendment moved by DiPietro, seconded by Auth. Roll call vote: Yes (6) Motion carries.

Action Item: Meeting Procedures

Eggermont presented meeting procedures for the Board to adopt for virtual meetings.

Motion to adopt without amendment moved by Hoffmeister, seconded by DiPietro. Roll call vote: Yes (6). Motion Carries.

Approval of Minutes

3/22/2021 Meeting Minutes Approval

Motion to approve without amendment moved by Hoffmeister, seconded by Auth. Roll call vote: Yes (6). Motion carries.

Unfinished Business

City of Ann Arbor Joining Update

Eggermont noted that because adding the City of Ann Arbor as a member requires a unanimous vote from the WRRMA board, and the Board is without a delegate from Pittsfield Township, the Board cannot yet vote. He recommended starting with approval from the City of Ann Arbor. The Board agreed.

Grant Updates

Eggermont updated that addresses are being loaded into the app and the hotline number is set up and will be on the mailings. DiPietro requested a tracking spreadsheet for the calls that come in to track frequent questions, amount of time and who took the call, and resident community.

Garramone presented a draft outreach and social media plan for the duration of the grant.

New Business

Recycle Search Recommendations

Eggermont, DiPietro and Hoffmeister reviewed the received proposals from three recycling search companies. They recommend a three-year contract with ReCollect, the search used by SOCCRA and RRRASOC, due to better pricing and analytics. Residents will be able to search items by their location and use an event calendar. It can be embedded on WRRMA's website, as well as any municipal website.

Eggermont clarified it is a three-year contract with two options to renew for one year for a total of five years. The search was budgeted for through a County grant as matching funds for outreach and education for the EGLE grant. In future years, WRRMA would have to budget for the annual fee.

Motion to approve contract in the amount not to exceed \$4,100 a year for three years with ReCollect moved by DiPietro, seconded by Breyer. Roll call vote: Yes (6). Motion carries.

Meeting Length Discussion

The board discussed lengthening meeting times to an hour and a half and decided to not state an end time to meetings on official documents. Internal calendars can block 1.5 hours of time.

Motion to amend meeting posting to state the start time of 1:00 PM and not state an end time moved by Auth, supported by DiPietro. Roll call vote: Yes (6). The motion carries.

Invoices to Approve

Auth requested more descriptive notes for time tracking for future approvals.

Motion to approve the invoice for Washtenaw County in the amount of \$7,014.05 moved by Auth, seconded by Fordice. Roll call vote: Yes (6). The motion carries.

Davis - Motion to approve the invoice for Davis-Listman in the amount of \$1,387.50, which includes the previous already approved balance of \$967.50 moved by DiPietro, seconded by Auth. Roll call vote: Yes (6). Motion carries.

Reports and Updates

Eggermont encouraged delegates to reach out to legislative communities in support of Drop Off Station funding, as the County Board of Commissioners is working on a priority funding list.

Akers requested clarification on the Nextcycle Michigan initiative. Eggermont noted it is similar to a business incubator and includes networking, support, and funding with the end goal of promoting recycling markets. The County will provide matching funds for end markets that locate in Washtenaw.

Next Steps

Public Comment: General/Unrelated to current Agenda Items

Weir is from Congresswoman Dingell's office and is listening for any updates and community news in recycling. Weir wondered if the document outlining the outreach plan for the recycling would be online at any point or it is just internal. With earth day coming up, is there anything the authority is doing for Earth Day. Garramone noted the outreach plan is internal, and WRRMA does not have Earth Day plans.

Motion to adjourn the meeting moved by DiPietro, seconded by Hoffmeister. Roll Call Vote Yes (6); Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 2:29 PM.

Minutes prepared by Isabella Garramone

Minutes approved by: *Della DiPietro*
[Della DiPietro \(May 19, 2021 16:35 EDT\)](#)
Secretary

Minutes approved by: *Ronald A. Akers*
[Ronald A. Akers \(May 18, 2021 18:18 EDT\)](#)
Chair









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