

MINUTES OF MEETING  
DELAWARE SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DATE: July 26, 2018

LOCATION: Delaware Solid Waste Authority  
Administrative Office  
1128 S. Bradford Street  
Dover, DE 19904

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

DIRECTORS

Gerard L. Esposito  
A Temple Carter, III  
Michael R. Paraskewich, Ph.D, P.E.  
Tonda L. Parks  
William J. Riddle

STAFF

Richard P. Watson, P.E., BCEE  
Robin M. Roddy, P.E., BCEE  
Michael D. Parkowski  
Joseph Koskey

LEGAL COUNSEL

F. Michael Parkowski, Esquire (PG&S)

GUESTS

Faith and Shawna Brown

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Chairman, Gerard Esposito, called the three hundred and ninety-fifth regular meeting of the Delaware Solid Waste Authority Board of Directors to order on Thursday, July 26, 2018. He announced the meeting had been duly noticed.

Mr. Esposito asked the Directors to introduce themselves to our guests. Each of the Directors, Mr. Watson, Ms. Roddy and Mr. F. M. Parkowski introduced themselves. Mr. Esposito read a tribute to the scholarship recipient, Faith Brown:

“We have a special guest tonight. The recipient of our John P. “Pat” Healy Scholarships is with us. Faith Brown just graduated from Charter School of Wilmington. She will be attending the University of Delaware majoring in Environmental Science. She participated in Envirothon, which DSWA sponsors, and even received a medal at states. Faith also had the opportunity to go to Science Olympiad nationals, in which she focused on Green Generation. She is the leader of her high school’s Gender Equality Club. She

hopes to further pursue her environmental interests after college both in research and as a professor so she can help "save the world." I know we all congratulate her and wish her well in her studies and career.”

Mr. Esposito then presented Ms. Brown with a certificate from the Board. Ms. Brown said that she was new to Delaware and when she saw the information for the scholarship she thought it was a perfect fit. She was very honored to be a recipient and thanked the Board for choosing her for the scholarship. Ms. Brown’s mother said that she was very proud of Faith. She had worked very hard and it was validating to see the results of that. She also expressed her gratitude for the scholarship.

**A. MINUTES**

Chairman Esposito called for additions or corrections to the draft of the Minutes of the June 28, 2018, meeting of the Board of Directors.

**Motion A** – moved by Mr. Carter

“The Minutes of the June 28, 2018, Board of Directors’ meeting of the Delaware Solid Waste Authority be accepted as written.”

**Second** - Mr. Riddle

**Vote** – (Carter, Paraskewich, Parks  
Riddle, Esposito)

**Motion Adopted**  
(5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent)

***Report of the Administrative & Citizens’ Affairs Committee***

**B. STATEWIDE COLLECTION OF MATERIALS FROM DSWA DROP-OFF CENTERS – CONTRACT S-18-793-SW**

**Motion B** – moved by Ms. Parks

“The Board awards the contract for the Statewide Collection of Materials from DSWA Drop-off Centers for the entire state to the lowest bidder BFI Waste Services, LLC doing business as Republic Services of Delmar in the amount of \$305,639.50.”

**Second** – Mr. Carter

Mr. Watson said that this contract was for hauling the recyclable material from DSWA’s recycling drop-off centers. There are fifteen sites throughout the state. The current contracts had a second year extension that was to be mutually agreed upon and unfortunately the two contractors for the northern and southern sites elected not to renew. This contract will provide the services for the whole state. Ms. Roddy said that the current contractors, Trash Tech and Republic Services, opted not to renew because they felt they were losing money. The new bid is significantly higher than

the last bid. This contract is only for five months so that staff can align it with another contract for the waste collection. This would put all the collection under one umbrella. A lot of reason for the higher cost of this contract is because of the price the contractor is paying at the materials recovery facility to drop off the recycling. This is DSWA's only option right now but staff will review the options for the future and incorporate them into the next contract. Ms. Parks said that this issue was fully discussed at the committee and that the members realize that it's a result of the recycling situation in the country.

Mr. Carter	Yes
Mr. Paraskewich	Yes
Mr. Riddle	Yes
Mr. Sheldon	Yes
Mr. Esposito	Yes

**Motion Adopted**

(5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent)

NEW BUSINESS

No comment

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comment

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Williamson

Meeting Adjourned: 5:15 p.m.