MINUTES OF MEETING **DELAWARE SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

DATE: June 26, 2025

LOCATION: DSWA Administration Building

601 Energy Lane Dover, Delaware 19901

5:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

TIME:

DIRECTORS STAFF

Gerard L. Esposito. Chairman Richard P. Watson, P.E., BCEE Timothy P. Sheldon, Vice Chairman Robin M. Roddy, P.E., BCEE

Norman D. Griffiths Michael D. Parkowski

Jason M. Munyan, P.E., BCEE Michael R. Paraskewich. Ph.D. P.E.

Tonda L. Parks Pamela Williamson

William J. Riddle

LEGAL COUNSEL GUESTS

F. Michael Parkowski (PG&S) None

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Chairman, Gerard Esposito, called the four hundred and fifty-fourth regular meeting of the Delaware Solid Waste Authority Board of Directors to order on Thursday, May 22, 2025. He announced the meeting had been duly noticed according to the rules and regulations.

Α. **MINUTES**

Chairman Esposito called for additions or corrections to the draft of the Minutes of the May 22, 2025, meeting of the Board of Directors.

Motion A – moved by Mr. Sheldon

"The Minutes of the May 22, 2025, Board of Directors' regular meeting of the Delaware Solid Waste Authority be accepted as written."

Second - Mr. Griffiths

Vote –Griffiths, Paraskewich, Parks **Motion Adopted** Riddle, Sheldon, Esposito) (6 Yes, 0 No. 1 Absent)

Board of Directors June 26, 2025

Report of the Administrative & Citizens' Affairs Committee

B. LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

Motion B - moved by Ms. Parks

"The Board awards a three-year agreement for legal services to Parkowski, Guerke & Swayze, P.A."

Second – Mr. Sheldon

Mr. Watson said that current legal contract with Parkowski, Guerke and Swayze (PG&S) ends on July 31, 2025. This new contract will run for three years. There was an inflationary increase from the current pricing. This pricing is discounted from the normal PG&S rates. Staff is very pleased with all the work that our legal team handles and recommends to award this new three-year contract.

Mr. Griffiths Yes
Mr. Paraskewich Yes
Ms. Parks Yes
Mr. Riddle Yes
Mr. Sheldon Yes
Mr. Esposito Yes

Motion Adopted

(6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent)

C. PUBLIC EDUCATION & OUTREACH ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

Motion C – moved by Ms. Parks

"The Board approves the proposed organizational changes to the Public Education & Outreach Group as presented."

Second – Mr. Griffiths

Mr. Watson said that the Education and Outreach Team has proposed changes to staff because of an outstanding demand for presentations. Staff would like to add a position and change the job title and description so that it is uniform for all four positions. The new title of Education & Engagement Program Specialist will allow for the interchange of personnel to have the flexibility for various job assignments. Mr. Griffiths asked if the presentations were for specific age groups. Mr. Parkowski said that there is no age restriction for the presentations. Staff targets 3rd and 4th graders at the education center but they have hosted from pre-K all the way through high school. The plan is to expand presentations for older kids outside the classroom. Ms. Parks asked if staff does presentations for organizations. Mr. Parkowski said that staff has done presentations for home owners associations, senior centers and other adult groups.

Mr. Griffiths Yes
Mr. Paraskewich Yes
Ms. Parks Yes
Mr. Riddle Yes
Mr. Sheldon Yes

Mr. Esposito

Yes Motion Adopted

(6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent)

D. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

Motion D - moved by Ms. Parks

"The Board approves the proposed organizational changes to the Facilities Management Group as presented."

Second - Mr. Griffiths

Mr. Watson said that this change to the organizational chart was the result of a retirement. Staff looked at the future needs and made a recommendation to replace the Manager of Environmental Monitoring position with an Environmental Scientist position and to eliminate the Environmental Technician position that is currently vacant. There is a monetary savings resulting from this change. Mr. Griffiths asked if this position oversees staff at each facility. Mr. Munyan explained that this position is in charge of the environmental monitoring for all the sites. There are no other staff doing this work.

Mr. Griffiths Yes
Mr. Paraskewich Yes
Ms. Parks Yes
Mr. Riddle Yes
Mr. Sheldon Yes
Mr. Esposito Yes

Motion Adopted

(6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent)

Report of the Technical & Facilities Affairs Committee

E. PROPOSED CHANGE ORDER FOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF THE ROUTE 5 TRANSFER STATION – CONTRACT O-21-860-SR

Motion E – moved by Mr. Sheldon

"The Board approves the proposed Change Order No. 1 for the Operations and Maintenance of the Route 5 Transfer Station to Greggo & Ferrara, Inc. to compensate for more tonnage to be transferred to the Central Solid Waste Management Center."

Second - Mr. Griffiths

Mr. Watson said that in the current contract for hauling waste from the Route 5 Transfer Station the majority of the waste was going to the Jones Crossroad Landfill. The contract also asked for a price to haul the waste from Route 5 to the Sandtown Landfill but it was only for a small quantity. Because the tonnage at Jones Crossroads has increased staff wants to divert 50% of the waste to Sandtown. Greggo & Ferrara asked for a price increase since the tonnage amount increased twenty times greater than what the initial contract required. Staff negotiated with Greggo & Ferrara and believes that this is a reasonable price for the distance that the waste will be hauled. Mr. Griffiths asked how many years are left on the current contract. Mr. Munyan said that the contract was for three years with an optional fourth and fifth

year. The third year will end August 31, 2025 and staff has extended the contract for the fourth year which will go through August 31, 2026.

Mr. Griffiths Yes
Mr. Paraskewich Yes
Ms. Parks Yes
Mr. Riddle Yes
Mr. Sheldon Yes
Mr. Esposito Yes

Motion Adopted

(6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent)

NEW BUSINESS

No comment

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comment

Motion – moved by Mr. Sheldon

"The Board Meeting is adjourned."

Second - Mr. Griffiths

Vote – (Griffiths, Paraskewich, Parks Riddle, Sheldon, Esposito)

Motion Adopted (6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent)

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Williamson

Meeting Adjourned: 5:30 p.m.