

POLLUTION CONTROL FINANCING AUTHORITY
OF WARREN COUNTY

MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

September 29, 2020

Chairman Angelo Accetturo called the regular monthly meeting of the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County to order at approximately 9:33 AM.

Authority Members present: James Cannon, Richard Mach, Alex Lazorisak, Angelo Accetturo and Mr. Perez (via conference call).

Mr. Accetturo asked to call the Monday September 29, 2020 PCFA meeting to order, please call the roll.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Cannon	-	Present
	Mr. Lazorisak	-	Present
	Mr. Mach	-	Present
	Mr. Perez	-	Present
	Mr. Accetturo	-	Present

Also present: Jason Sarnoski, Freeholder; Brian Tipton, General Counsel; James Williams, Director of Operations; Jamie Banghart, Administrative Supervisor, and Mariann Cliff, Recording Secretary.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Accetturo.

Mr. Accetturo read the following statement: “Adequate notice of this meeting of September 29th 2020 was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by forwarding a schedule of regular meetings of the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County (PCFAWC) to the Warren County Clerk, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders, The Express-Times, and by posting a copy thereof on the bulletin board in the office of the PCFAWC. Formal action may be taken by the PCFAWC at this meeting. Public participation is encouraged”.

MINUTES

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Mr. Accetturo asked if there a motion on the minutes of the Regular monthly meeting from August 24, 2020.

Mr. Mach stated that he would make a motion to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes from August 24, 2020

Mr. Lazorisak stated that he would second the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cannon - Yes
 Mr. Lazorisak - Yes
 Mr. Mach - Yes
 Mr. Perez - Yes
 Mr. Accetturo - Yes

Mr. Accetturo stated that an Executive session was not needed.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Accetturo stated that the correspondence was the letter dated September 18, 2020 from Mr. Williams the Director of the PCFA to Mr. Sarnoski Warren County Board of Freeholders, response to the September 9th letter. Then asked would they want to discuss any part of that and would this be the time?

Mr. Williams and Mr. Sarnoski both agreed that this would be the time.

Mr. Sarnoski stated that first and foremost he would like to thank the Board for giving him the time to look over the numbers, get a response to some of the numbers that they were concerned about and some of the questions that they had. And also to meet with Mott MacDonald and go over the Proforma that was put together for the usage of the 14 million.

Mr. Sarnoski stated that he had a meeting with Mott MacDonald, Mr. Williams and Mr. Lazorisak and he thinks that he got a much better perspective on what the Boards financial plan was for using the money. Mr. Sarnoski stated that he thought the PCFA got a better perspective of what the Freeholder Board was concerned for moving forward concerning capital usage, and how the money was going to be used as well as what type of waste the facility was going to take. The future plans for waste.

Mr. Sarnoski stated that they both came out of there with some questions they were looking at from the Acadia report. Therefore, they asked Mott MacDonald to look at the Acadia report and their report and kind of meld the two. As well as looking at some of the numbers with regards to waste flow, financials and capital expenses.

Mr. Sarnoski stated that he took some of the comments back to the Freeholder Board and made the recommendation to allow, they say allow, but it means to tell the Board that they feel ok with moving forward with the use of the 14 million right now, they would like to see where those numbers come in for the bids. Then they will look at that, after the discussion he believes that the Freeholders now have a more comfortable position about doing that.

Mr. Sarnoski stated that certainly not all of their questions have been answered but there is some work that the County was going to do on their side. They would have their auditors look at the numbers they received from Mott MacDonald and Acadia and the new numbers if Mott MacDonald puts those together but he thinks they have some time for that. So, after this is approved the bids go out and we get them back, they will have a better understanding of where they are now and where they are going to be in the future with the additional data.

Mr. Sarnoski stated that ultimately, he wanted to thank the Board for giving them the time to really understand everything. He also had that discussion with the Freeholders, they agreed to move forward with the 14 million and see where those bids come in. Mr. Sarnoski stated that just to be open and transparent, obviously the Freeholders reserve the right to put the brakes back on and look at other options, if the bids come in very high or if the future plans are not what they want based on what they get back from Mott MacDonald or their auditors.

Mr. Sarnoski stated that was all he had and he thought that was satisfactory with Mr. Williams and the Freeholders.

Mr. Williams stated that just to follow up on it he thought the meeting that they had was very productive, a lot of trading of information. Mr. Williams stated that they came away especially Mott MacDonald on how the Freeholder Board felt. Mr. Williams stated that they have Mott MacDonald taking that Acacia report and actually switching some of the numbers around to better fit the model that we have here now. Right now, they have ID 13 waste. We are going to look at the ID 10 waste as a possibility in the future long term.

Mr. Williams continued that Mott MacDonald is going to be looking at those numbers and take it even further out. Mr. Williams continued that he thought that would help satisfy everyone with the information.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that again if they move ahead with cell-6 then he thinks that cell-6 should be added into that whole Proforma. Also, his concern with Mott MacDonald was that they were going to move forward and take 14 million dollars out of the closure fund discretionary, but they are also draining 10 million dollars out of their capital cash assets and that account has approximately 12.6 million. Therefore, if they take 10 million they only have 2.6 million in the bank and they certainly do not have enough to carry or cover four years' operating budget, that was his concern moving forward.

Mr. Lazorisak stated again a true Proforma once the numbers come in and even Mott MacDonald stated that the numbers could come in between 16 and 18 million. That is a big difference than estimating between 20 to 24 million. Mr. Lazorisak stated that he agreed to have the attorney prepare the resolution this way they have the money set aside and see where the numbers come in.

Mr. Sarnoski stated that during the discussion it was very clear that Mott MacDonald was not aware of all aspects including some of the issues that they are having right now with Covanta and taking of type 10 waste. He thinks it bears repeating that this has always been the position of the Freeholder Board that anything that they move forward with here has to have a benefit to all of the residents of Warren County and they have to see that benefit clear and obvious. In addition, to benefit the residents of Oxford and White Township who hosts the bulk of the responsibility for this landfill.

Mr. Sarnoski stated that they do not have a landfill here just to have a place for garbage and to raise money to have a bigger landfill. They want a landfill here if it is going to benefit the residents of Warren County in the long term. That has always been their position and it continues to be their position, if they cannot see the benefit both financially and with regard to the waste flow that is when the Freeholders are just going to say they are not interested to continue on that path. Mr. Sarnoski stated that this time they did see a guide to the future and they are willing to keep going on that path.

Mr. Accetturo asked if there were any other Board members that want to comment?

Mr. Perez stated that he had a question.
Mr. Mach stated that he had a question.

Mr. Accetturo stated to Mr. Perez that Mr. Mach was going to speak and then he would go next.

Mr. Perez agreed.
Mr. Mach asked that when Mr. Lazorisak started his comments, he said cell-6 did he mean cell-7.

Mr. Lazorisak replied no, cell-7 is first, then cell-6. So again, as they move forward, they will need to see that Proforma. He would like to see where they would pay off cell-7 before beginning cell-6 and how much capital have they made on top of paying back the closure account fund as well as the capital.

Mr. Accetturo stated to Mr. Mach that was a good question because he was not fully aware that this money did not include cell-6. Cell-6 will be raised through the proceeds of cell-7 and cell-6 does not necessarily have to happen after cell-7 but it is a possibility depending on what goes on in the future. So, cell-7 is thirteen years and then cell-6 is the remainder, but there is a lot more understanding of the whole plan after that Mott MacDonald meeting as well.
Mr. Mach replied thank you.

Mr. Accetturo asked Mr. Perez to speak.

Mr. Perez stated that his question goes to Mr. Lazorisak and Mr. Accetturo, are both of them part of the Freeholders Board?

Mr. Accetturo stated that he was not a member of the Freeholder Board.
Mr. Lazorisak stated that he was fortunately not a member of the Freeholder Board.

Mr. Williams stated to Mr. Perez that Mr. Lazorisak was not a Freeholder either.

Mr. Perez replied ok because that if they were, they would have to recuse themselves from this because it would be a conflict of interest to be on both committees and then try to take a vote.

Mr. Accetturo stated that he was not going to run for that position any time soon either so he did not have to worry about that at this point.

Mr. Sarnoski stated that he was the only Freeholder there and he was not going to be involved in the vote.
Mr. Perez replied ok.

Mr. Accetturo asked if any other Board members had anything to say.

Mr. Cannon stated that the only thing that he had to say was that a lot of this information was in the past minutes and stuff that the County claimed that they were not aware of and or Mr. Lazorisak to catch up to speed he thinks that by now they should have been caught up to speed. As for Cell-6, a lot of the infrastructure would be built with the bids going out for cell-7.

Mr. Williams stated that they had discussed that.

Mr. Cannon replied that he was not sure that it was understood, when they mentioned not doing cell-6 is a possibility because there is a lot of infrastructure going in for cell-7 that is in for cell-6. You cannot traipse over cell-7 to get to cell-6 to do the construction for the infrastructure.

Mr. Accetturo asked if there was anyone else that wanted to comment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

Mr. Accetturo asked if there were any public comments, then seeing that there were none proceeded to Finance.

FINANCE

Mr. Accetturo stated that the first thing in the Finance they have is R-09-01-20 the Resolution to Authorize the Expenditure of Funds for the Construction of Cell-7 of the Landfill.

Mr. Accetturo asked if there was a motion on the resolution.

Mr. Cannon stated that he would make a motion.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that he would second the motion.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Cannon	- Yes
	Mr. Lazorisak	- Yes
	Mr. Mach	- Yes
	Mr. Perez	- Yes
	Mr. Accetturo	- Yes

*****At approximately 9:48, Mr. Sarnoski left the Boardroom*****

Mr. Accetturo stated that A-1 the Finance report was next.

Mr. Williams stated that everything is as planned there are no surprises in the Finance report and he believes many of their haulers were up to date. Mrs. Banghart replied that yes, they were.

Mr. Williams sated that there were really no surprises. They have actually turned the corner and if they look on the bottom of page 2 they have come to a slight profit. That was always planned, that the profit was not going to be large because they did cut the waste back. Then even moving forward into next year, and they would start to talk about the landfill a little bit later on, he would like to discuss that with the Board a little bit more. As they begin to move forward with cell-7 and depending on what happens with that they need to have a discussion on their waste intake going into next year to ensure that the available landfill space remains while they are under construction. Other than that, the Finance report is all good and everything is in order.

Mr. Accetturo replied ok.

Mr. Williams stated that there is a resolution R-09-02-20 to pay the bills for September.

Mr. Accetturo asked if there was a motion for resolution R-09-02-20 to pay the bills for September.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that he would make the motion.

Mr. Accetturo stated that he would second the motion, and then asked for a roll call.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Cannon	- Yes
	Mr. Lazorisak	- Yes
	Mr. Mach	- Yes
	Mr. Perez	- Yes
	Mr. Accetturo	- Yes

On a motion by *Mr. Lazorisak*, seconded by *Mr. Accetturo*, the following resolution was adopted by the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County at a meeting held on *September 29, 2020*.

RESOLUTION

R-09-02-20

To Pay Bills – September 29, 2020

WHEREAS, the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County has been presented with invoices for services, supplies and other materials rendered to it or on its behalf;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County that the following bills be paid:

See Attached

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Cannon	- Yes
	Mr. Lazorisak	- Yes
	Mr. Mach	- Yes
	Mr. Perez	- Yes
	Mr. Accetturo	- Yes

We hereby certify Resolution to Pay Bills in the amount of \$404,253.92 to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County on the 29th day of September, 2020.

Mariann Cliff
Recording Secretary

James Williams
Director of Operations

Approved: September 29, 2020

PRESENTATIONS

PERSONNEL

Mr. Accetturo asked Mr. Williams if he had anything for personnel.

Mr. Williams stated that he just had one item regarding the personnel and it is related to, as they know, the whole Covid-19 that has been going on. The landfill staff have been troopers, they have stuck through it, luckily nobody has come down with it which is a good thing. Mr. Williams asked the Board if they would like to move forward with merit bonuses for this year for the staff? It is that time of the year again and he just needs a consensus to see if the Board wants to do that or not. That way he could go through, do the evaluations, and have something for the next meeting.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that his position from last year still stands, he does not believe in the bonuses. Again, looking forward at the operations, moving forward with the expansion, and using the majority of the capital. Their numbers are down they were trying to get this landfill to last as long as possible. He does not think that bonuses are proper this year, that is his opinion and he certainly would not support it.

Mr. Accetturo stated that last year there were bonuses given, was that the first time that bonuses were given?

Mr. Williams replied that bonuses were given out 2 or 3 times before that. This was an item that was already budgeted for.

Mr. Accetturo stated that when he first learned of the bonuses last year, he was surprised. That a government agency such as this would be giving out bonuses. He never remembered when he was the Mayor of Oxford the committee ever giving out bonuses. For a short period of time he was a Freeholder and he does not ever remember giving out bonuses.

Mr. Accetturo stated that he thinks it is a little awkward to give bonuses to landfill employees and not give out bonuses to other employees in other areas. On the other hand, to complicate matters, he thinks

for him personally that this year he knows that the staff of this landfill has gone above and beyond what a lot of public employees did. Therefore, there is a bit of him that might not have a problem with it this year but that is where he stands, confused.

Mr. Accetturo stated that traditionally he would never go along with it. He thinks that Mr. Williams's staff, and please correct him if he is wrong, did not take a lot of time off this year.

Mr. Williams stated that the staff did not take time off, they stayed employed while others were furloughed and or at home. Our employees were here and stuck it out and they had the inundation of the residents that were coming in who were not at work. They got the heavy flow of residents plus the regular traffic.

Mr. Accetturo asked how they computed the bonuses, what is the actual percent? was it based on salary?

Mr. Williams replied the highest it could be is 4%. Mr. Accetturo asked what it was last year. Mr. Williams asked if he was looking for the total that went out. Mr. Accetturo replied no the percentage. Mr. Cannon stated that it fluctuated, there was an evaluation process put in place so that each of the employees were evaluated on what they had done according to the goals that their position was set at. How they obtained those goals if they met them, and then each one gets applied a percentage depending on the number it is a formula that keeps the process very objective.

Mr. Williams stated that in the personnel manual were valuation sheets for the employees and he would go through them with the administrative staff and some of the landfill staff. The landfill foreman would go through his staff then they would sit down together and lay it out.

Mr. Accetturo asked if Mr. Williams had at the ready, the total dollars that it was?

Mr. Williams asked if he wanted it for last year. Mr. Accetturo replied yes.

Mr. Williams asked Mrs. Banghart if she remembered. Mrs. Banghart replied that she did not.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that there were no bonuses in government, there are merit raises based on performance. Personally, that would be the true legal route to go versus bonuses. He could tell everyone that the State of New Jersey is upside down. They had employees that worked through Covid, who believe they should have been paid hazard pay. In fact, the County is going into arbitration with one union that could cost them 1.5 million dollars if ruled on. This year this is a very bad precedent in his opinion.

Mr. Cannon stated that one thing he is sure of is what they have done was completely legal. Our counsel would not let them do that if it were not, he did not like that. The second thing is the employee salary range here is less than if they went to the County payroll and competing businesses. Part of that reason is because there is an expectation here. That is why it was created in the first place; they have added on a lot more duties to the employees here with all of the recycling and everything else that they have added in and they did not increase pays.

Mr. Cannon continued, they have trucks in here for electronics, for tires, computers, single stream all of this that they have added on over the last few years and they have not said that they are going to pay X,Y,Z \$5,000.00 more a year because they have these new responsibilities now.

Mr. Cannon stated that they have added on a lot more responsibilities over the last few years and that is part of the reason that they added the bonus system and the fact that if you looked at the pay scale here compared to public service pre-covid, this is a less pay scale for these employees for full time work.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that that being said that definitely the merit would definitely be the way to go on salary adjustment.

Mr. Williams stated that the policy was written that way, it does say merit. He was trying to find out from Mrs. Banghart but he thinks it was somewhere between \$20,000.00 and \$30,000.00 in total. Mrs. Banghart stated that she could look it up by the expenditure it was budgeted.

Mr. Cannon asked if it gives them an idea of what is behind it, because he knows that off and on part of that was because of all the responsibilities added and no one said that hey, we have to change that pay scale for this position because now they are responsible for this this and this. Just as an example.

Mr. Accetturo stated that it was \$20,000.00 and \$30,000.00 in total. Mr. Cannon replied yes.

Mr. Cannon asked and what did they do gross last year through the gate. Mr. Williams replied 5.7 million something like that, he thought that they were at 5.4 this year because they reduced their intake.

Mr. Lazorisak asked if employees were getting raises as well. Are they entitled to a yearly raise? Mr. Williams replied yes, that would be next year.

Mr. Lazorisak asked what that percentage was. Mr. Williams stated that they have usually done about 2%.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that 2% and then they are looking at a 4% bonus is 6%. Mr. Williams stated that if the bonus was 4% then yes.

Mr. Accetturo asked if Mr. Williams had a guess to where that average fell, 3% to 4% or 2% to 3%. Mr. Williams replied that there were a couple that did not make the 4%.

Mr. Accetturo stated that most were 3% and above. Mr. Williams replied yes, so when the budget was done, they prepared it to be the maximum just in case it went there.

Mr. Cannon stated that they are talking about less than one percent of gross.

Mr. Accetturo stated that it was just his background in government, sitting on so many Boards over the years that it was just an unusual thing to give bonuses out for a government agency in Warren County. Maybe they give them out somewhere else but it is just an unusual thing. Mr. Accetturo stated that he is not slamming the door on the idea, in light of the fact that he thinks out of all the government employees that are in this County, this group of people work exceptionally hard and better than a lot of other people did. some of which received full pay and did nothing. He wishes somehow, do they need to vote on this today, if not could they do it in November? He knows that it gets close to the end of the year but he would like to have a look at the numbers, is that possible? Mr. Williams asked if he meant November or October? Mr. Accetturo stated that it would be October. Mr. Williams replied ok that is why he wanted to bring it up now because it is getting close to the time.

Mr. Cannon asked if he could hear what their Vice Chairman had to say about it.

Mr. Mach stated that in addition to the comments that Mr. Williams brought up, the very outstanding performance on the part of their employees and all of the things that they have done in addition to what they had been doing up till now. He feels that they should recognize their courage for coming out in this. Mr. Mach stated that he for one did not expose himself at all to the covid virus and the possibility of coming down with the virus. It would be a miserable way to die and he did not want to die that way. Frankly, these guys and gals had to have some fear in their hearts about the possibility of catching it. just on the basis of their courage to come out here and do the job and be here, he is in favor of having whatever you would like to call it, bonus or merit or something.

Mr. Cannon asked Mr. Perez what his opinion were on the subject.

Mr. Perez stated that his position on the bonus he agreed with what Mr. Cannon had to say, so he takes the same stance.

Mr. Accetturo stated that he thinks that they would proceed with bonuses, consensus seems like the Board absolutely had three solids and whatever he himself is. Mr. Williams replied that he would get him what they did last year. He would distribute it to everyone.

Mr. Accetturo stated that would be good.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that in all honesty if you can wait until October he would like to see the salary guide and see where they are at again. If people are doing additional work outside their boxes, they should be compensated accordingly. Mr. Lazorisak stated that it should be done a little differently than a bonus.

Mr. Cannon stated that he thinks if next year they want to change things then change them but he would make a motion that they proceed with the merit program that was established a few years ago under the formula that was established for the year 2020.

Mr. Mach stated that he would second the motion.

Mr. Accetturo asked for the roll.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Cannon	- Yes
	Mr. Lazorisak	- No
	Mr. Mach	- Yes
	Mr. Perez	- Yes
	Mr. Accetturo	- Yes

Mr. Williams stated that again he would gather and distribute the information from last year.

Mr. Cannon stated that if they want to take time and relook at it next year that would be fine but it would take time.

Mr. Accetturo stated that he was a little surprised last year being a government agency. What happened this year, he did see a lot of hard-working employees all the time down here. He is amazed by the fact that there is only one person in that scale house and that they could do that job. Anywhere else, any other entity there would be two to three people in that booth. Mr. Accetturo stated that he thinks that they do get a lot out of the employees. He has no desire to go into the pit but everyone always seems to be busy and moving. As far as a government agency, this one is really top notch.

Mr. Cannon stated that there is a bad connotation connected to a government agency. He thinks they run it better here than any government agency. In general, he would take this operation over any government agency.

Mr. Accetturo replied that this was a quasi-government agency and absolutely.

Mr. Williams stated that just to dovetail on what was just said, every other landfill that he has ever been to, an agency like ourselves, has at least double the staff. It is amazing how they employ so many people to work about the same amount of coverage. Therefore, when you look at it, we are operating on a skeleton crew compared to others but we do have a very good staff here. They all keep very busy.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that there are still State employees that are at home.

Mr. Accetturo stated that now that they are Christmas mood, is there any way that they could have a fall cleanup at least for Oxford and White Township? He knows that they said at the last meeting that the towns do not want to open the building to hand out tickets for the landfill. To him that is unbelievable.

Mr. Williams stated that he spoke to the Mayor of Oxford, he spoke to the Mayor of White Township, they are the 2 biggest groups. He also did speak recently with the Mayor of Oxford and also the Deputy Mayor of Oxford and they were actually looking at the possibility of getting dumpsters to put at the DPW garage to hold a cleanup and then they could run the dumpsters in here. He is not sure where that was going or if they are still looking at that option.

Mr. Cannon stated that those dumpsters are not free either. Mr. Williams stated that the only downfall to that is if they open it for one they have to open it for all of them. It would not be fair to everybody else example Harmony, White Township etc.

Mr. Cannon stated that he would bring up a different point, Oxford and White Townships do the absorption of most of this landfill. How much money did Oxford lose when the incinerator closed down in taxes around \$600,000.00 a year? If White Township lost the landfill, it would be a loss of \$375,000.00 a year or more. These two communities deal with it directly.

Mr. Cannon stated that he instituted moneys back to the County a few years ago to try to get monies back to the County because he was a firm believer in that. Mr. Cannon stated that he knows that on his first run on this Board he brought it up and between Mr. Zelley and Mr. McDonough he does not know who laughed harder at him so that was finished as far as trying to kick anything back to the County back then. Hopefully when the Board gets going then they would be able to give monies back to the County.

Mr. Cannon stated that he thinks that the impact to White Township and Oxford was much more than the others and if there were something special for those two, he would have no problem with it. The remaining Townships you could hold off. This is for two reasons; one they are limiting the intake because of what they are doing with the expansion, and second with covid. Those are two very solid reasons.

Mr. Lazorisak asked if they could get a voucher off the website.

Mr. Williams stated that there is an issue with the vouchers. The reason why they have to have the Townships raised seal on it, signed by someone in each Township and then handed out is because they were being photo copied. We were getting vouchers in the past that belonged to one municipality from

residents from another town coming in to the landfill. This is why they had to go to a signed voucher with the towns raised seal on it.

Mr. Williams stated that when he spoke with both Mayors, the concern is the hand-to-hand contact between their staff and the residents coming in to get that signed voucher.

Mr. Williams stated that we could do it, he is not saying no to it if the Board wants to do it for these 2 particular municipalities.

Mr. Accetturo stated that what bothered him about it was the comments that he saw on the local community forums. There was a municipal person from Oxford that was laying the blame on the landfill. That was not correct, if it is really their problem, that they do not want to open up their buildings then they should say that and not blame it on the landfill.

Mr. Williams stated that it was on the Oxford site also.

Mr. Tipton stated that to be honest he was told that the PCFA was not doing it. He asked his clerk if they were doing it or not and had not realized that she had just received a letter from the PCFA. He thought that the PCFA decided not to do the cleanups.

Mr. Williams replied that it was an email.

Mr. Tipton stated that the PCFA decided not to have cleanups for all towns. It was not the towns; his town has been open.

Mr. Williams replied no, it was not the towns that made the decision, but the two towns that he heard from were glad that we were not doing the cleanups.

Mr. Tipton stated that it was never an option, he understands that in the spring it was not an option. This Authority also canceled it in the fall for everybody.

Mr. Williams replied yes.

Mr. Tipton stated that what he is hearing here is that it was the towns but it is not, it was this Board.

Mr. Accetturo stated that if you read those forums it was the PCFA's fault, not the towns fault.

Mr. Tipton replied that he was not saying fault, he was saying decision.

Mr. Tipton stated his wife asked if he was going to take some stuff up to the landfill so he asked his clerk if they were doing the fall cleanups because he knew the spring was canceled. He was a little surprised that the fall was canceled also in light of everything opening up.

Mr. Williams stated that they sent an email out at the beginning of August to all municipalities. Not only did they cancel that, but for our own physical safety the HHW event was also canceled.

Mr. Tipton stated that he understood why they did it, he was just clarifying that it did happen here, not the other way around.

Mr. Cannon stated that Mr. Williams was saying that White and Oxford contacted him about doing something and Mr. Williams asked about how they were going to do the voucher program and they said that they would not open up the building for people to come to get their vouchers. So there is no reason for you to rescind it for those two towns because they were not going to make it workable.

Mr. Williams stated that that was what they were afraid of, bringing their own employees now to have that physical hand-to-hand.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that at this point maybe they just wait until spring and hopefully we would be somehow back to normal.

Mr. Perez stated that he had a question. Mr. Accetturo stated that Mr. Perez could go ahead. Mr. Perez stated that one thing is could everyone speak into the mic a little better they are coming in broken up and he missed the last bit of conversation. Mr. Williams stated that they are doing the best that they could do.

Mr. Cannon stated that they were discussing the town cleanups, they were talking about maybe having Oxford and White Township allowed to have a township cleanup. Simply because they are most impacted by the incinerator and the landfill before, the winter comes. So the road department does not have to pick up stuff from the sides of the road or hit it with their plows when the snow comes this winter because people throw it out their window. They were just stating the causes to why White and Oxford should be allowed to be the two towns to have a cleanup.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that why do you not authorize Mr. Williams to reach out to Oxford and White Township and say, listen, the Authority will let you dump this year, and let them figure out the voucher program and leave it at that. Then they will have three months to figure it out.

Mr. Williams stated that each town could pick a date and tell the PCFA when.

Mr. Cannon stated that they could hold it in the parking lot and people drive up, there are all sorts of ways that they could manage it. They could hand a stamp through a window, let them figure out the logistics of it so that we do not get photocopies of it. they are all getting paid full time still whether they are home on their couch or at the municipal building.

Mr. Cannon asked if they needed a motion or not. Mr. Williams replied that he did not, it sounds like everyone agrees with it.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that Oxford does not have a clerk anymore, he believes it was the Washington Borough manager who is filling that role now.

Mr. Williams stated that actually they have been using the Washington Borough clerk. Mr. Lazorisak stated that he is also the part time manager, and Mr. Williams may want to reach out to him he is a pretty good guy.

Mr. Williams agreed and stated that he had talked with him quite a bit.

FACILITIES/RECYCLING

Cell 7 Construction

Mr. Williams stated that cell-7 construction just to give an update where Cornerstone is they have finished the design drawings and bid documents. Mott MacDonald's drawings are also done so the whole package is ready now. Mr. Williams stated that what he was going to do that afternoon was forward the resolution that they just passed to the State Comptroller's office, Cornerstone has set up a drop box for the State Comptroller's office to go in and look at the bid documents themselves. They have 30 days to give us back any comments regarding that, so he believes that they have crossed all of their T's and dotted all of their I's for the Comptroller's office and what they were looking for. So now, they would give them the opportunity to review it. The bids would be ready to go out November 2nd.

Mr. Perez asked if they said November 2nd. Mr. Accetturo replied yes November 2nd. Mr. Perez replied ok.

Mr. Williams stated that the pre-construction meeting would be November 17th or 18th they would have whoever is going to be bidding on the project going out into the landfill and showing them the site. Mr. Williams stated that he would give them the actual dates if any Board members want to join them.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that he was just curious, it was going out the first and the bids are due when, the 17th?

Mr. Williams stated that no, that would be a pre-bid meeting for them to see the site. It would be sometime in December when the bids are due back, he could get the exact dates later.

Mr. Lazorisak replied that they had plenty of time.

Mr. Cannon stated that they are still doing the two of them.

Mr. Williams stated that part of the discussion they had when meeting with Mr. Sarnoski and Mr. Lazorisak, to bring them up to speed, was how they are bidding this two ways, a cell-7 and a cell-7A, the 7A is a much smaller footprint. Mr. Williams stated that they would go out to bid and see where the numbers are when they come back in.

Mr. Williams stated that is pretty much it for the cell-7 information. Then it depends on where we end up going with this, if they continue to move forward they would need to hire a QA engineer, they have not done that yet. That QA engineer would be the eyes and ears for the NJDEP to be on site to make sure the project is built properly. It is not a full time position it is part-time, in the past when they did it with cell-5 it ended up being about a \$35,000.00 to \$40,000.00 contract. It is the DEP who sets how much time they want this engineer to be on site. The PCFA would have a full-time engineer here, which would be Mott MacDonald. They have been contracted to do that work for them. This is just another step to include in as they move forward. That would come later on after they see what the bids are and how they would proceed.

Mr. Williams stated that they would get a couple of engineers to give them prices and he could put together an RFP.

Mr. Cannon stated that one of the groups that they had in there of the three was well prepared. Mott MacDonald cannot do both obviously, the younger guy was extremely prepared and extremely knowledgeable. He would like to make sure it that it was offered to him. Mr. Cannon stated that frankly the other guy that came by himself was not prepared and did not have any questions or answers. The one

that did seem to be on top of it, followed up with Mr. Williams by email with some of the questions that he had given him. He did look at some of the related items such as the Covanta stuff. They seemed to be incredibly knowledgeable.

Mr. Williams stated that another engineer that they had used in the past was CP engineers. They did a great job also. They were here for cell-5 so there are plenty of qualified engineers out there.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that they need a check-and-balance even for Mott MacDonald. Mr. Williams replied absolutely.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that if they screw something up you need a second level.

Mr. Williams replied that is what they are here for, they report directly back to the DEP.

Mr. Cannon stated that it was required. Mr. Williams stated that yes it was a condition. That was all for that update.

Landfill Operations

Mr. Williams stated that landfill operations have no issues.

Mr. Williams stated that A-2 through A-5 was just the typical recycling, electronics, tire program and everything is still moving along fairly well. It is just amazing how many electronics they have been getting in this facility. It has turned out to be a very good program for us so that is all that he has.

Mr. Williams stated that he did have one last thing, he was going to start preparing the budget for next year and will try to get an excel spreadsheet out to everybody. Mr. Williams stated that he was going to reduce the waste intake coming into the facility next year to ensure that the landfill remains open. He was waiting to see where they were going to go with the resolution before he started. The good thing is he has not seen anything from the State yet, as far as the State forms, they are not even ready. At least he can now start to get the sheet out and it would be good for Mr. Accetturo because it would show a couple years back and how it has been trending. This way they would get an idea on how it has increased, decreased or stayed the same over the years by line item.

Mr. Accetturo replied that it sounds good.

H2S

Mr. Perez stated that he had a question for Mr. Williams. On the H2S does that service go out on a monthly basis or is that just a removal system for when the gas is present. Mr. Perez stated that Mr. Williams had on the agenda an update on the H2S removal system.

Mr. Williams replied yes, the H2S removal system, which is the Hydrogen Sulfide that is on the gas collection system. Everything is working fine with that. If they remember they changed the media out on that a few months ago, they have no issues as far as that goes. Mr. Perez replied ok thank you that was why he was questioning it. Mr. Williams replied ok.

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

Mr. Accetturo asked if there was any report from general Counsel.

Mr. Tipton replied hot off the presses he just received an email from Covanta. He circulated it to the Board and Mr. Williams it literally came in while they were sitting here. This was the Wood groups report on decommissioning. Mr. Tipton stated that it was downloading slow so it was hard to follow it but he got to the summary and their evaluation to a 90% confidence level according to them, was that the total cost for decommissioning would be estimated at 3.32 to 3.81 million dollars.

Mr. Tipton stated that it was a lengthier report than he was able to read there with the internet connection. Obviously, he would not expect them to have a substantial discussion on it just receiving it this morning, when she knew exactly when our meeting was.

Mr. Cannon stated that it was not surprising.

Mr. Tipton stated that he would recommend that everyone take a look at it give it some thought, if they think that they need a special meeting via phone to talk about it they could. He was not sure what the urgency level was at this time with them. She simply asked if he could speak with her later in the week about it. Mr. Tipton stated that he was going to say no until his Board has a chance to read it and give him feedback. It was frustrating with the level of un-appreciation for the public meeting process with this company. He feels like they have been going through this very often, they know when our meetings are, they could get this to him so his people can read it even a few hours before the meeting.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that the million-dollar question was, are they posting a bond for that?

Mr. Tipton replied that he would envision that the answer would be yes. This gets back to that the PCFA needs to get their own consulting company to evaluate what they have prepared. Mr. Tipton stated that he does not think that collectively this Board has the expertise to look at it and say ok that is great.

Mr. Cannon stated nor do they want to. Mr. Williams stated that another million-dollar question is, would that be enough. That is where he thinks somebody needs to if it is not us.

Mr. Tipton stated that yes they do need a similar professional to look at it and make sure it checks out.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that he agrees and that is why he brought it up a few months ago.

Mr. Tipton stated that this professional could say mark it up 20% or whatever, let us get a number from our people. Mr. Tipton stated that was his recommendation.

Mr. Williams stated that everybody could look at it and they could discuss it at their October meeting since Mr. Tipton had said that they do not seem to be in any rush.

Mr. Lazorisak asked Mr. Tipton how many pages it was, and if it was still downloading?

Mr. Tipton replied that there were a bunch of tables and reports. It is not too crazy plus the extra docs. What he would say to them is that he will have a conversation with her. If any of the Board has their respective thoughts on it in the next couple of days, he will schedule the talk for Friday. Mr. Tipton requested that the Board let him know what they would like to know from her, if they feel like they are missing something, he could get clarity and maybe they could speed up the process.

Mr. Cannon stated that he could try to get clarity. Mr. Tipton stated that he would attempt to.

Mr. Williams stated that they were still making their quarterly payments then asked Mrs. Banghart if that was correct.

Mrs. Banghart stated that yes and they are due in October.

Mr. Williams stated that he thought one was coming up, so that was still continuing. Along those lines, he does not know if anyone has noticed the entrance coming in off route 31 and their facility has not been maintained at all.

Mr. Cannon stated that it was becoming a tunnel.

Mr. Williams stated that he does not know if that is something that Mr. Tipton thinks he could address with them, or if it is even worth it.

Mr. Tipton stated that he could bring it up.

Mr. Cannon stated that it would probably be a good time to do it because the snow is right around the corner.

Mr. Williams stated that that is why he was bringing it up now.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that maybe Mr. Tipton should put them on notice.

Mr. Cannon asked what the County did last year; did they facilitate something with them as far as the maintenance?

Mr. Lazorisak stated that they trimmed the one side down, but that was a one shot deal. Mr. Williams asked oh did they?

Mr. Cannon asked what about the plowing; did they do something with the plowing?

Mr. Williams replied that Covanta actually hired back the company that they used previously to do the plowing.

Mr. Williams stated that the PCFA had something worked out between the County and them in the event that they did not plow it.

Mr. Tipton stated that he would give them a friendly reminder that it was still their obligation until they have some sort of resolution.

Mr. Williams stated that the grass around that facility is probably three feet high. Mr. Williams stated that as Mr. Cannon said it is starting to close in even on the shoulders of the road. Mr. Cannon replied that now would be a good time to cut it back.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that again he would like Mr. Tipton to put them on notice, if there were to be an accident they would be held accountable.

Mr. Tipton stated that the email he received was fourteen pages with tables, it is not a hard read.

Mr. Accetturo asked if Mr. Tipton was finished. Mr. Tipton replied that he was.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Accetturo asked if there was any new business.

Mr. Mach stated that he had a question, he happened to see an article in the New Jersey herald. The Sussex county newspaper about Governor Murphy signing an executive order putting in position new

laws and regulations on landfills, landfill expansions and several other items. Did anyone else see or hear about that?

Mr. Cannon replied that it was only in urban communities, the law was for the purpose of for example you could not go and build an incinerator in Newark anymore. It was taking out those options for predominately minority areas.

Mr. Mach replied that ok so it does not apply to rural areas. Mr. Cannon replied no.

OTHER

Mr. Accetturo asked if there were any other business.

None

Closing Public Comments

Mr. Accetturo asked if there were any closing public comments.

None

PRESS COMMENTS & QUESTIONS

Mr. Accetturo asked if there were any press comments

None

Mr. Accetturo asked if there was a need for an executive session.

General consensus was no.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Accetturo asked if there was a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Lazorisak stated that he would make that motion.

Mr. Mach stated that he would second that motion.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Cannon	- Yes
	Mr. Lazorisak	- Yes
	Mr. Mach	- Yes
	Mr. Perez	- Yes
	Mr. Accetturo	- Yes

Respectfully submitted by:

Mariann Cliff

Recording Secretary

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