

POLLUTION CONTROL FINANCING AUTHORITY  
OF WARREN COUNTY

MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

March 17, 2025

Chairman Walter Orcutt called the regular monthly meeting of the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County to order at approximately 9:31 am.

Authority Members present: Walter Orcutt, Angelo Accetturo and Rob Larsen. Absent, Dan Perez.

Chairman Orcutt asked for roll call.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Accetturo	- Present
	Mr. Larsen	- Present
	Mr. Perez	- Absent
	Chairman Orcutt	- Present

Also present: Brian Tipton, General Counsel; Jonathan Knittel, Director of Operations; Jamie Banghart, Assistant Director and Shannon Beam, Recording Secretary.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Orcutt.

Mr. Accetturo read the following statement: "Adequate notice of this meeting of March 17, 2025 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 County Commissioners, 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

Chairman Orcutt asked if there was a motion for M-1 the Regular monthly meeting minutes from February 24, 2025.

Mr. Larsen stated that he would make the motion to approve M-1.

Mr. Accetturo stated that he would second the motion.

Chairman Orcutt stated, all in favor, say aye.

Chairman Orcutt asked if any opposed, then stated, motion granted unanimously.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman Orcutt asked if Mr. Knittel needed to comment on any of the correspondences.

Mr. Knittel stated that C-3 was very good news. Reworld (Covanta) did sign an amendment for the 2025 year which includes their normal ash flow for the year plus solid waste later this year. We lost three solid waste haulers this year and having Covanta come in helps replace one of the haulers. They should start hauling in the solid waste sometime around May.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

Chairman Orcutt asked if there were any public comments for agenda items only.

## FINANCE

Chairman Orcutt stated that next was the finance report.

Mr. Knittel Stated that A-1 finances have been revised. The reason for the revision is due to bills for February coming in last week. It shows that our tonnage is down about 40% from last year at the same time. There is a small deficit of a little over \$100,000.00 a month for January and February. With the weather improving and Covanta signing, it is very possible we will be able to balance the budget. Tonnage is down but could be a good thing, it saves on airspace and helps us get caught up on maintenance repairs that need to be done in house. You can see that we pay a couple \$100,00.00 upfront in insurance in January and we are only showing a deficit of \$273,00.00. If we take the insurance out, we would almost have a balanced budget. That is because we are bringing in a surplus of ash to help balance the budget early in the year.

Chairman Orcutt asked if we would pick up other trash and stop the ash? Could we pick up more ash at the end of the year to help balance the budget if we need it?

Mr. Knittel stated it seems so, Covanta always has a small amount of ash out there at contract price. We have a 6-year contract with Covanta and we are in our 1<sup>st</sup> year of the 3-year extension so we have ash for the rest of this year, 2026 and 2027.

Mr. Knittel stated that we received a reimbursement from Closure Fund for November. We only have one outstanding at this time. The contractors did mobilize and we will start having contracting bills for April, May and June.

Chairman Orcutt asked Mr. Knittel if he could do a 3-way call with Chairman Orcutt and Mr. Accetturo in 2 to 3 weeks to discuss how our revenue and finances are going for the month of March.

Mr. Knittel replied that he can do that.

Mrs. Banghart stated that we just had our annual audit last week. Everything seems good. When we receive the report back, we will present it to the board.

Chairman Orcutt asked if there was a motion on the Resolution R-03-01-25 to pay bills?

Mr. Accetturo stated that he would make a motion on Resolution R-03-01-25 to pay bills.  
Mr. Larsen stated that he would second the motion.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Accetturo	- Yes
	Mr. Larsen	- Yes
	Mr. Perez	- Absent
	Chairman Orcutt	- Yes

On a motion by **Mr. Accetturo**, seconded by **Mr. Larsen**, the following resolution was adopted by the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County at a meeting held on *March 17th, 2025*.

**RESOLUTION**  
**R-03-01-25**  
**To Pay Bills – March 17, 2025**

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. Accetturo	- Yes
	Mr. Larsen	- Yes
	Mr. Perez	- Absent
	Mr. Chairman Orcutt	- Yes

We hereby certify Resolution to Pay Bills in the amount of **\$627,302.99** to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County on the *17th day of March, 2025*.

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Shannon Beam  
Recording Secretary

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Jonathan Knittel  
Director of Operations

Approved: 03/17/2025

#### PERSONNEL

Mr. Knittel stated that he had nothing to report at this time.

#### PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Knittel stated that there were no presentations.

#### REPORTS

#### FACILITIES/RECYCLING

Mr. Knittel stated that this Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, there will be Wastewater Pre-treatment meeting and the board members are invited. There is a draft agenda that was shared with Chairman Orcutt. At the meeting, we are going to discuss the wastewater treatment plant. We are going to see what can be done and what our path forward is. We would like to know if the wastewater treatment plant is the best option or is there something else that can be done at the same time or separately.

Chairman Orcutt asked about evaporation.

A discussion was held regarding an evaporation system and a reverse osmosis (RO) system.

Chairman Orcutt asked if Mr. Accetturo and Mr. Larsen will be attending the engineer meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Mr. Accetturo stated the he will not be able to attend.

Mr. Larsen stated that he will not be attending.

Chairman Orcutt stated that he will be attending and will be bringing Mr. Lohman with him.

Mr. Knittel will report back to the board after the March 20, 2025 meeting.

Mr. Knittel discussed the 20-acre side slope capping project. He stated that the project restarted on March 10<sup>th</sup> by Barbella. They had a construction meeting on Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Barbella already got a lot of the erosion damage from the winter fixed in the first 2-3 days. They got about 60% of the PDM out of our stock pile. There is a mandate to use up the remaining PDM by June 31, 2025. They are on track to use up all of the PDM by then. They are using it effectively on the North side of the

slope where there is no capping and will be no trash for the next few years. We are going to be able to shed a little more stormwater off the Northwest corner of the landfill.

Chairman Orcutt asked what was the tipping fee on the PDM?

Mr. Knittel stated that it came in a year to maybe a year in half ago and it was like \$5.00 a yard. Each truck had about 18 yards of PDM.

Chairman Orcutt asked if it was more or less than ash?

Mr. Knittel replied, a lot less but it is a clay material and helps us save money on leachate.

Chairman Orcutt asked there is no reason to bring in more PDM?

Mr. Knittel replied not right now. If we have large amounts of side slopes that were uncapped in the future then we can bring in a little bit more. But as of right now, no we do not need any more and NJDEP has strict rules about where and how to stockpile PDM.

Mr. Knittel stated that the capping had about 3 good months left to finish it and get it seeded before they are out of here. They will be working on it April, May and June.

Chairman Orcutt replied that it is a good time to grow grass.

Mr. Knittel moved on to the odor update. He stated that the gas header project is still getting additional wells added to it. Instead of just a pipe, we are also getting vertical gas wells. As soon as the engineer adds the vertical wells, we will resubmit for legal review. Then get it out to bid. We are at the point where we have enough vertical distance in Cell 7 that the vertical wells are an option instead of just the horizontal. The vertical wells pull so much more gas from a wider influence. The wells are going to help eliminate odors that seem to be still getting off the property line as reported by a board member.

Mr. Accetturo asked if we got a quote from Envirosuite?

Mr. Knittel replied that they did.

Mr. Accetturo asked what the quote was from Envirosuite?

Mr. Knittel replied that it is a significant amount of money for the monitors. He does not know the exact amount, about 80K per year depending on the number of monitors.

Mr. Accetturo asked Mr. Knittel to send him the quote from Envirosuite before the next meeting.

Mr. Knittel stated that he would send it to Mr. Accetturo with the full price and what he recommends.

Mr. Knittel presented A-2 which is 2025 Waste Disposal Fee Schedule Changes.

Mr. Larsen stated that he would make a motion to approve the changes in A-2 Waste Disposal Fee Schedule, second by Mr. Accetturo.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Accetturo	- Yes
	Mr. Larsen	- Yes
	Mr. Perez	- Absent
	Mr. Chairman Orcutt	- Yes

Mr. Knittel presented A-3 through A-5 which are our recycling programs that are running well.

Mr. Knittel presented A-6 which is New 2025 Meeting Schedule change. It is changing from the 4th Monday of every month to the 3rd Monday of every month.

Mr. Accetturo stated that he would make the motion approving the changes to A-6, New 2025 Meeting Schedule, second by Mr. Larson.

Chairman Orcutt stated, all in favor, say aye.

Chairman Orcutt asked if any opposed, then stated, motion granted unanimously.

#### GENERAL COUNSEL

Chairman Orcutt asked Mr. Tipton for the general counsel's report.

Mr. Tipton stated that he had nothing to report.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Orcutt asked if there were any other business.

Mr. Knittel presented a leachate graph and map that he will be updating every month.

#### CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Orcutt asked if there were any closing public comments.

#### PRESS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Chairman Orcutt asked if there were any press questions or comments.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Orcutt asked if there was anything else before they adjourn.

Mr. Larsen stated that he would make a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Accetturo stated that he would second the motion.

Chairman Orcutt stated, all in favor, say aye.

Chairman Orcutt asked if any opposed, then stated, motion granted unanimously.

***\*\*Meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:11 am***

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Respectfully submitted by:

Shannon Beam  
Recording Secretary

Approved: