BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, March 20, 8:30 a.m. WESTERN WASHTENAW COUNTY SERVICE CENTER
705 N. Zeeb Rd, 2nd Floor Room 2010

Members Present: Kathleen Root, Lauren Smith, Gary McCririe, Andrew Schmidt, Bryan Weinert, Ketankumar Dave

Members Absent: Evan Pratt

Liaison Present: Commissioner Jason Maciejewski

Public Present: Serai Yanus, The Eastern Echo

Staff Present: Theo Eggermont, Public Works Director
Michelle Katz, Water Resources Program Coordinator
Nichole Worth, Water Resources Customer Service Specialist

1. Call to Order

Chair, Schmidt called meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion by L. Smith, supported by K. Dave to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting- February 21, 2024

Motion by L. Smith, supported by B. Weinert to approve the meeting minutes of February 21, 2024. Motion Carried.

4. Public Comment-Related to Meeting Agenda Items

Public Commentary- (3 Minutes per Speaker) **
No Comments

5. Reports/Program Update

A) Lake Improvement Projects Update

T. Eggermont reported the Silver Lake Improvement Project is gearing up for its first year. He mentioned L. Koloski with Water Resources office met with Progressive and there will be a Q&A sheet distributed to residents regarding the public beach closure. T. Eggermont also mentioned all the annual year end lake reports have been uploaded to the website.

T. Eggermont mentioned surveys will start in May and treatment for the lakes will follow.

The Board discussed and supported having one meeting location for the Public Hearings for Whitmore Lake and Pleasant Lake at a central location and offering a hybrid option. T. Eggermont also asked about sending one mailer and the Board generally supported sending one mailer for both public hearing dates, while also using digital outreach for the hearings.

B) WRRMA Update

- Approved Meeting Minutes from 1/22/2024

T. Eggermont reported the WRRMA is entering negotiations with Priority Waste. He also added that that their proposal listed materials would be processed locally at both Recycle Ann Arbor and WeCare Denali.

C) Directors Report

T. Eggermont noted that WRRMA has a great potential to help achieve the Solid Waste Plan goals and that they are moving to the next step in their development. He noted that they will need some additional funding to get through a transition period as they staff up. T. Eggermont asked the Board if they'd be supportive of a $30,000 sponsorship from the Solid Waste Fund to support staff. At the same time T. Eggermont brought up a request for $60,000 for Recycle Ann Arbor's Drop Off Station. D. Schmitt vocalized a concern about setting a precedent. T. Eggermont said that he would reach out to confirm RAA wouldn't ask for this type of support in the future. There was general support from the Board to bring resolutions to a future meeting.

He mentioned the Annual Recycling Art Contest for participating schools has begun.

T. Eggermont reported Materials Management planning is continuing to progress. He stated he plans to recommend to the Board of Commissioner's to create a single County plan for Materials Management. He also stated he has extended the deadline for the Planning Committee and looking to get those appointed by June/July. T. Eggermont noted that the Consultant support RFP for Material Management closed 3/20/2024.

6. Action Items

A) Claims $50,000.00 and Under (March/2024) Attachment A
Motion by K. Root, supported by L. Smith to file and receive claims for March 2024 as presented. Motion Carried.

B) Claims $50,001.00 and Over (March/2024) Attachment A
Motion by L. Smith, supported by G. McCririe to file and receive claims for March 2024 as presented. Motion Carried.

C) Resolution to Initiate and Establish a Lake Improvement Project – Pleasant Lake
Motion by G. McCririe, supported by L. Smith to approve Resolution to Initiate and Establish a Lake Improvement Project – Pleasant Lake. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.

T. Eggermont to amend verbiage on resolution attachments to reflect as exhibits.

D) Resolution to Initiate and Establish a Lake Improvement Project – Whitmore Lake
Motion by K. Root, supported by L. Smith to approve Resolution to Initiate and Establish a Lake Improvement Project – Whitmore Lake. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.

E) Resolution to Amend the Contracts with Huron Lakes Weed Control
Motion by B. Weinert, supported by K. Root to approve Resolution to Amend the Contracts with Huron Lakes Weed Control. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.

7. Financial Reports

Received and filed.

8. Other Business

None

9. Public Comment- General/Un-related to Current Meeting Agenda Items

Public Commentary- (3 Minutes per Speaker)**

No Public Present publicly or remotely.

10. Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Evan Pratt

Evan Pratt, Secretary