

Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government Solid Waste Management District

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Executive Director

Board Chair

109 Board Meeting Minutes August 5, 2020

This meeting was conducted via video conferencing in accordance with the Kentucky Open Meetings Act, including, but not limited to, KRS 61.826.

Chairman Bob Schindler called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. Members in attendance: Mary Rose Evans, Susan Hart, Bob Lee, Debra Thompson, and Deathra Shipley.

Staff in attendance: Pete Flood, Karen Maynard, Robert Lush, Diane Moon, Whitney Wood, Keith Hackett, and Amy Axsom.

Chairman Schindler opened discussion with announcing the approval of Mayor's reappointment of Board members Schindler and Thompson. The discussion then centered on Mr. Bruce Blue's appointment being withdrawn by the Mayor's office due to a concern of Incompatibility of Office which was brought up during the Metro Council Committee on Government Oversight. Pete Flood presented a timeline of events and updated the Board on the overall review of all Boards and Commissions in Louisville Metro. Mary Rose Evans asked if the Board could get copies of the opinion from the County Attorney's office and Mr. Flood said he would investigate it but did not see it as a problem.

Approval of Minutes: January 22nd, 2020 meeting minutes were reviewed and accepted by acclamation.

Correspondence

1. <u>CY 19 Annual Report and Acceptance letter from State</u>: Mr. Flood presented the letter from the state affirming approval of the report. Notes were made to address to the state that the letter was addressed to the old chairman.

Budget Report

1. <u>Expenses</u>: Mr. Flood presented the budget reports which included expense distribution and unit activity, since the last meeting in January. After brief discussion, Mary Rose Evans made a motion to accept. Seconded by Deathra Shipley. Motion passed.

Action Items

- 1. <u>Adoption of FY 21 District Budget:</u> Mr. Flood presented the budget as listed in the staff presentation. After some discussion, which centered on the process and input plus why some numbers were decreased over the previous years past. A motion to accept was made and seconded. Motion passed after a roll call vote with all members voting yes.
- 2. <u>Adoption of CY 20 Litter Abatement Grant Budget:</u> Mr. Flood presented this budget as listed in the staff presentation. However, he addressed concerns about potential changes due to expressway cleanings, lack of inmates due to Covid-19, and Brightside Litter Fund requests. These issues could impact the amounts. After a discussion and concerns, the board members decided to table the issue until staff could get answers to those concerns.
- 3. <u>Approval of MOA between District and Brightside for Litter Funds</u>: Mr. Flood stated he did not have the MOA ready for approval. He was waiting on a new budget request from them.

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4. <u>Approval το purchase οτ Fοτα Escape Hypriα</u>: Mr. Flood gave the 109 Board the new price for the unit at \$21,900. A motion was made passed by acclamation.

Old Business

- 1. Update: Pop-Up Drop Off Events/Front Load Pick Up of Self-Service Recycling Centers: Mr. Flood presented an update on the program and announced the first event would be at Sun Valley Park in Council Woman Fowler's district. There were two more events scheduled to close out the year and those event times and locations would be announced soon. Mr. Flood also updated the Board on the delivery of the front load truck and dumpsters being in September.
- 2. Kentucky Supreme Court Order Granting Discretionary Review. Louisville Metro WMD Et Al. vs. Jefferson County League of Cities Et Al.: Mr. Flood stated Assistant County Attorney Peter Ervin was not able to attend the meeting. Chairman Schindler gave a brief summary of the status. There was extensive discussion about how the board moved to proceed to file a request for discretionary review. Schuyler Olt, Attorney for the JCLC, gave a summary of what he knows about the case, stating the case had been fully briefed and accepted by the Court. He was unsure if it will be an oral argument or if they would rule on the briefs. He did not anticipate the court hearing oral arguments for at least six months. Robert Lee asked for a copy of the Metro brief be sent to board members once Mr. Flood had received it. Mr. Flood stated he would do so. No motions occurred.
- 3. Update: Louisville Metro WMD vs. Waste Management of Kentucky regarding license fees: Chairman Schindler gave a summary of the case to date. The mediation is scheduled for September with the federal magistrate, which will rule. No action was taken or required by the Board.

New Business

- 1. Changes to LMCO Chapter 51.405, 507, and 510: Mr. Flood updated the board according to the staff presentation about the proposed ordinance. There were a few discussion points which centered on the parts of the changes that could be used in the suburban services district, such as the section on needles. No actions were taken or required by the board.
- 2. Recycling Grant Award of \$5,000 for Master Recyclers Program: Karen Maynard announced the team had applied for and received a grant of \$5,000 for this program. She gave a brief description of the program. The Board congratulated the team. No action was taken or required by the board.

Advisory Committee Report

1. No Report

Staff Report

- 1. Impact of Covid-19 on Full Service Recycling Centers and Litter Abatement: Mr. Flood gave a presentation which is contained within the staff report. No action was taken or required by the Board
- 2. Impact on Services in Louisville Metro due to Covid-19: Mr. Flood gave a presentation which is contained within the staff report. No action was taken or required by the Board

Announcements

- 1. LMG Budget: Approved \$50,000 in surveillance cameras and \$30,000 for new lift for installing them. Other funds would include one officer for maintaining camera system.
- 2. Compost Bin and Rain Barrel Event Results.
- 3. Next Advisory Committee Meeting: TBD.
- 4. Next 109 Board Meeting: was determined to meet at the next normal meeting on August 26, 2020 at normal time.

No comments from members of the audience. Meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Minutes approved by:	
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Chairman	Date