1 NOTE: These minutes are subject to review and modification by the ACSWMD Executive Board at 2 its next regular meeting. 3 4 ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES** 5 6 April 5, 2023, 4:30 PM 7 **Virtual Meeting on ZOOM** 8 9 1. CALL TO ORDER - Tim Wickland (TW), Board of Supervisors (BOS) Chair, called the meeting 10 of the Executive Board (E.Bd) to order at 4:30 PM. Other E.Bd members present on Zoom: David Olson 11 (DO), Diane Mott (DM), Randy Orvis (RO), Cheryl Brinkman (CB), Bill Munoff (BM), Diane Mott (DM) 12 and Deb Gaynor (DG). Staff present: Teri Kuczynski (TK), District Manager; Patti Johnson (PJ), Business 13 Manager; Don Maglienti (Don), Program Manager. Guest: John Boulay, CPA, RHR Smith & Co. 14 15 2. APPROVE THE AGENDA -16 Motion #1: RO moved to approve the agenda. DG seconded the motion. 17 VOTE: Yes -6 (DO, DG, BM, RO, TW, CB). No -0. Abstain -0. 18 19 **APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 8, 2023 MEETING** – TK correction, p. 1, Item 5(a): Feb. 20 23<sup>d</sup> should be Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>. The Chair added that in Item 4: Insert "Vice" before "Chair." 21 Motion #2: RO moved to approve the minutes of March 8, 2023. BM seconded the 22 motion. 23 VOTE: Yes -5 (DO, DG, BM, RO, CB). No -0. Abstain -1 (TW). 24 25 4. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** – The Chair opened the public comment period. 26 27 5. **MANAGER REPORT -**28 a. Personnel – The District has applied for another ECO AmeriCorps member to start in 29 September 2023. We will be notified when a member is interested and available. 30 b. Health & Safety – Jake and TK have just completed the HAZWOPER 8-hour refresher course 31 and soon will complete the RCRA training. Don is scheduling other health & safety courses for staff. 32 c. Legislative Update – The Bottle Bill expansion (H.158) and EPR for HHW Bill (H.67) have 33 both passed the House and are now in the Senate Natural Resources Committee, which hopefully 34 will have time to work on each bill before the end of the session. 35 36 6. FINANCIAL REPORTS -37 a. February 2023 Financial Report – PJ presented the February 2023 Financials. The Chair 38 pointed out an apparent error in Governmental Tip Fees in the current period revenue section. PJ will 39 recalculate and present a corrected version at the BOS meeting. Feb. tonnage of 1,423 was 47 tons 40 higher than in Feb. 2022. The 3,227 transactions in Feb. 2023 exceeded the 2,918 transactions in 41 Feb. 2022 by 309. The Transfer Station received 317 tons of single stream recyclables in Feb. 2023, 42 or 32 tons more than in Feb. 2022. Tire disposal tonnage in Feb. 2023 was 11 tons v. 0 tons in Feb. 43 2022. The food waste box was not hauled in February, so YTD 2023 remains at 7.12 tons. 44 **b.** February 2023 Single Stream Recycling Report – In February, the Transfer Station delivered 45 307 tons of single stream recyclables to the MRF. With a higher processing fee of \$142/ton, the 46 District YTD net loss was (\$27,196) in SS Recycling. PJ just learned that the March processing fee 47 will rise to \$147/ton. TK told the E.Bd that at its May meeting, we will present options for a course 48 of action to cover YTD losses. 49 c. Review of Draft 2022 Annual Audit with John Boulay, CPA, RHR Smith & Co. – John 50 Boulay, RHR Smith & Co., CPAs, presented the Draft 2022 Annual Audit, reviewing the major 51 sections of the year-end financials including net position, fund balances, and the overall health of the District's financial position. As stated in the March 24th Management Letter to the BOS, no material/ 52

substantive issues were found in the review of the District Financials, and RHR Smith noted no

transactions of the District in 2022 for which there was a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus

or deviation from best practice. John noted the books were very clean, and the requested information

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for any testing was made readily available by PJ. CB asked if there were any suggestions for improvements, but John said he did not see any areas at this time that would suggest changes to how the District was handling their financials. Motion #3: RO moved to recommend to the full BOS that they approve the 2022 Draft Audit as presented. CB seconded the motion. VOTE: Yes -7 (DO, DG, DM, BM, RO, TW, CB). No -0. Abstain -0d. Municipal Diversion Grant Applications – N/A e. School Diversion Grant Applications – N/A

## 7. NEW BUSINESS –

- **a.** More Information on Cloud Conversion As requested by the E.Bd, PJ presented references for other local businesses that have utilized the services of Tech Group to convert to the Cloud and Microsoft SharePoint. RO brought up that in the E.Bd meeting in March, the presenter had said he would prepare and send a comparison of options available to use for moving to the Cloud. That information was not received by the District, so PJ will follow up with Tech Group and hopefully have that info by next week's BOS meeting. The Chair suggested that staff prepare a summary comparing the costs of continuing the existing system to the costs of moving to the Cloud.
- **b. Update on Design & Permitting, and Construction New Haven** TK updated the E.Bd on the next phase of the regional residential transfer station project. Tree removal was completed by Lathrop prior to the deadline established by the State. TK will be reviewing a draft RFB prepared by Shane Mullen.
- **c.** Nominating Committee Slate of Nominees for Chair, Vice Chair, & Executive Board The Nominating Committee reported that all current E.Bd members have expressed their interest in continuing to serve on the E.Bd for next year. CB and BM have both expressed interest in serving as the Vice Chair of the E.Bd. The E.Bd proposes appointing TK as the District Treasurer and Clerk.
- **d.** List of Attorneys for 2023-2024 TK presented the list of attorneys that currently serve the District for legal, real estate, and personnel matters, and requested to have these same firms represent the District in the coming year.
- **e. Meeting Options for 2023-2024** TK mentioned that at the March BOS meeting, a member requested that the BOS discuss going back to in-person meetings. However, it was noted that at least one potential member stated that she would not be able to join if we did in-person only. For this reason, and concerns amongst many members about Covid's continued presence, TK suggested that we hold hybrid meetings, both on ZOOM and utilizing the District's conference room as the physical site for those who wish to attend in person.

Motion #4: CB moved to recommend to the full BOS that we move to hybrid meetings, with the District office conference room as the physical location. RO seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** Yes – 7 (DO, DG, DM, BM, RO, TW, CB). No – 0. Abstain – 0

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION – To discuss pending or probable civil litigation or a prosecution, to which the District is or may be a party, where premature general public knowledge would clearly place the District or a person involved at a substantial disadvantage.

Motion #5: RO moved that the E.Bd enter into Executive Session for the purpose stated on the agenda. CB seconded the motion.

VOTE: Yes -7 (DO, DG, DM, BM, RO, TW, CB). No -0. Abstain -0

The E.Bd entered into Executive Session at 5:35 PM. The E.Bd exited Executive Session at 5:58 PM.

9. AGENDA ITEMS FOR APRIL 13, 2023, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING – Draft 2022 Annual Audit, Update on New Haven Site. Annual meeting: BOS Nominations and Election of Officers for 2023-2024; List of Attorneys; Proposed 2023-2024 Meeting Schedule; Appoint District Treasurer and Clerk. Tech Group Cloud Conversion Proposal.

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112	10.	<b>OTHER BUSINESS</b> – CB noted that the Vermont League of Cities & Towns (VLCT) has a new
113	website and is hosting a free webinar on VT's Open Meeting Law.	
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116		Motion #6: RO moved that the E.Bd. approve the payments for the month of February
117		as approved by Bill Munoff. DO seconded the motion.
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122		Motion #7: BM moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:02 PM. RO seconded the motion.
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