

## GREATER NEW BEDFORD REGIONAL REFUSE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING

### Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 26, 2022

The Greater New Bedford Regional Refuse Management District Committee held a publicly posted meeting on **Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 8:00 A.M.** at the Dartmouth Town Hall, Room 315, 400 Slocum Road, Dartmouth, MA.

**District Committee Members in attendance:** Chairperson, John Beauregard; Christine LeBlanc, Daniel Patten, Michael Gagne, Kelley Cabral-Mosher, Ken Blanchard.

**Also in attendance:** Scott Alfonse, Executive Director; Leonor Ferreira, Secretary; Matthew J. Thomas, District Counsel.

#### **1. Call to order / Salute the flag**

Chairperson Beauregard called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and led a salute to the flag.

#### **2. Legal notices**

Mr. Beauregard noted that legal notices of the meeting were posted in Dartmouth and New Bedford more than 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Chairperson Beauregard read the following statement:

“Pursuant to the Open Meeting Law, any person may make an audio or video recording of this public meeting, or may transmit the meeting through any medium. Attendees are therefore advised that such recordings and transmissions are being made, whether perceived or unperceived, by those present, and are deemed acknowledged and permissible.”

#### **3. Roll call of members**

Chairperson John Beauregard, yes  
Daniel Patten, yes  
Christine LeBlanc, yes  
Michael Gagne, yes  
Ken Blanchard, yes  
Kelley Cabral-Mosher, yes

#### **4. Approval of minutes**

**Chairperson Beauregard asked for a motion to approve the September 29, 2022 Open Session minutes. Motion made by Mr. Patten, seconded by Mr. Gagne. All voted in favor.**

**Motion passed 6 to 0.**

**Chairperson Beauregard asked for a motion to approve the September 29, 2022 Executive Session minutes. Motion made by Mr. Patten, seconded by Ms. LeBlanc. All voted in favor.**

**Motion passed 6 to 0.**

#### **5. Warrant Report and Ratification**

Chairperson Beauregard asked for a motion to accept the warrant reports and ratify warrant No. 5-23 dated September 22, 2022, and warrant no. 6-23 dated October 7, 2022. Motion made by Mr. Patten, seconded by Ms. LeBlanc . All voted in favor.

**Motion passed 6 to 0.**

**6. Set Meeting Schedule – December / January**

The next District Committee meetings are scheduled for Thursday, December 15, 2022, and Thursday, January, 19, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

**7. New Business**

a. Assistant Executive Director recruitment status

**Motion to discuss the status of Assistant Executive Director recruitment made by Mr. Patten, seconded by Ms. LeBlanc. All voted in favor.**

Mr. Alfonse discussed the memo. Committee discussed the process for reviewing the nine (9) resumes for the position.

Mr. Beauregard asked if there was a particular candidate with the expertise the District was looking for. Mr. Alfonse noted some candidates may have the solid waste and work experience, and recommended Committee select members for screening committee. Mr. Beauregard volunteered himself.

Mr. Alfonse noted that in-person interviews were preferable, but due to some candidates being out of state, remote participation meetings would be available. The group discussed the interview schedule.

After further discussion, Mr. Beauregard nominated himself (John Beauregard), Christine LeBlanc, and Kelly Cabral-Mosher, Shawn Peckham, and Scott Alfonse as the members for the screening committee.

b. Authorize Invitation for Bids for Temporary Labor Services

**Motion to authorize the advertisement of an Invitation for Bids to Provide Temporary Labor Services made by Mr. Patten, seconded by Ms. LeBlanc. All voted in favor.**

Mr. Alfonse discussed the memo noting that the existing contract expires December 31, 2022 and is awarded on a calendar year due to minimum wage changing on January 1<sup>st</sup>. He recommended the Committee approve the advertisement of temporary labor services for 2 years (1 year, with 1 year extension).

**Motion to authorize the advertisement of Invitation for Bids made by Ms. LeBlanc, seconded by Ms. Cabral-Mosher. All voted in favor.**

**Motion passed 6 – 0.**

c. Director's Report

**Motion to receive the Director's Report made by Ms. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. Patten. All voted in favor.**

Mr. Alfonse reviewed the memo.

Mr. Beauregard asked if there was an update on Geosyntec. Mr. Alfonse said no, but noted that there was a meeting scheduled with MassDEP on November 4, 2022 to follow up on last meeting's discussion.

d. Items which could not have been reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance.

None.

## 8. Executive Session

- a. To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law of federal grant-in-aid requirements.

**Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(7). The District will discuss policies that have not been fully formulated. The draft documents are exempt from the public records law under Mass. General Law Chapter 4, Section 7, Clause twenty-sixth (d), so any discussion regarding those non-public documents should be in executive session. Once the document is fully formulated, the document and the discussion will become part of the public records. The District Committee will adjourn its meeting in open session. Motion made by Mr. Gagne, seconded by Ms. LeBlanc. Roll call: Chairperson John Beauregard, yes; Daniel Patten, yes; Christine LeBlanc, yes; Kelley Cabral-Mosher, yes; Michael Gagne, yes; Ken Blanchard, yes.**

Committee moved into Executive Session at 8:21 a.m.

Committee convened into open session at 8:51 a.m.

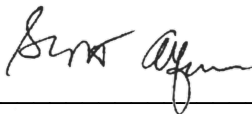
## 9. Adjourn

**Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Gagne, seconded by Mr. Blanchard. All voted in favor.**

**Motion passed 6 to 0.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

Approved by vote of District Committee on Thursday, November 17, 2022.



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Scott Alfonse, Executive Director

## MEMOS

- 7a. Memo – Assistant Executive Director recruitment status dated 10/21/2022
- 7b.. Memo – Authorize Invitation for Bids for Temporary Labor Services dated 10/21/2022
- 7c. Memo – Director’s Report dated 10/21/2022
- Attachment – Commercial and Municipal Tonnage – April 2021 to September 2022 graph
- Income Statement as of October 7, 2022