



# Resource Recovery & Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County

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**Minutes of October 26, 2023**  
**RRRASOC Board of Directors Meeting**  
**9:30 a.m.**  
**Wixom Department of Public Works**  
**2041 Charms Road**  
**Wixom, MI 48393**

## 1. Call to Order

Mr. Green called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

## 2. Roll Call

Don Green	Vice Chairperson, Charter Township of Milford
Chelsea Pesta	Treasurer, Walled Lake
Gary Mekjian	Secretary, Farmington Hills
David Murphy	Farmington
Christian Wuerth	Milford Village
Jeff Herczeg	Novi
Paul Zelenak	South Lyon
Steve Brown	Wixom
Karen Mondora	Farmington Hills
John Michrina	Southfield
Patrick Ryan	Southfield
Tim Sikma	Wixom
Aaron Hiday	State of Michigan, Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy
Devan Dodge	State of Michigan, Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy
Bill Whitley	MyGreen Michigan and SPURT
Michael Csapo	RRRASOC
Laura Shaw	RRRASOC

## 3. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Wuerth moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Murphy supported, and the motion passed unanimously by the Board.

## 4. Audience Participation

None.

## **5. Matters for Discussion/Action**

### **A. Battery Policy Statement**

Mr. Csapo explained the Battery Policy Statement to the Board.

Ms. Mondora informed the Board that the Battery Policy Statement was introduced at the last Michigan Chapter of the APWA Board Meeting and was tabled until the next meeting.

Mr. Murphy made a motion to approve the Battery Policy Statement. Mr. Wuerth supported, and the motion passed unanimously by the Board.

### **B. Simple Recycling Contract Extension**

Mr. Csapo explained the Simple Recycling 3-year Contract Extension.

Mr. Sikma made a motion to approve the extension of the Simple Recycling contract. Mr. Wuerth supported, and the motion passed unanimously by the Board.

### **C. Disaster Debris Management Planning Project Update**

Mr. Csapo updated the Board on the Disaster Debris Management Planning Project. Mr. Csapo informed the Board that a pre-planning meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2023.

### **D. Food Waste and Organics Composting Discussion**

Mr. Csapo explained the need for food waste and organics composting discussion.

Ms. Dodge explained some of the changes to Part 115 and the amount of food that is landfilled. Ms. Dodge also informed the Board of small pilot programs for food recycling.

Mr. Hiday explained the status of regulatory activity for compost facilities.

Mr. Csapo explained the curbside collection of non-yard waste organics will be necessary to meet State recycling goals.

## **6. Manager's Report**

Mr. Csapo informed the Board that a robot is scheduled to start on the residual line in January 2024 and that a 2<sup>nd</sup> robot will be designed for the commingled line. Mr. Csapo advised the Board that a State of Michigan grant and a third-party stakeholder grant will pay 93% of the initial costs of the latest robot and that a customer agreement with the robot vendor will be signed once the grant agreements are executed.

## **7. Other**

None.

## **8. Consent Agenda**

- a. Payment of Bills Report

- b. Investment Report
- c. Revenue and Expenditure Report
- d. Division Rate Report
- e. MRF Operations Report
- f. Minutes of September 28, 2023

## **9. Adjournment**

Mr. Murphy moved to adjourn at 10:50 a.m., Mr. Wuerth supported, and the motion passed unanimously by the Board.