

## **SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES**

SWMA Board Meeting

June 23, 2020 10:00 A.M.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner (SWMA Member), Chairman DeMont Davis (SWMA Member), Mary Ann Carp (SWMA Member), Tax Commissioner Terry Baskin (SWMA Member), Robb Leatherwood (SWMA Member), Captain Sean MacDonald (SWMA Member), and Edie Young (SWMA Member). Also present were Altimese Dees (Real Estate Gallery of GA), Jeff Metarko (Director of Transportation and Development), Nathan Parrott (Landfill Manager), Josh Lawson (Jacobs Engineering), Chuck Reed (County Attorney) and Courtney Rushin (Assistant County Clerk).

### **I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Chairman Turner called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

### **II. ADOPTION OF JANUARY 28, 2020 MEETING MINUTES:**

Chairman Turner announced that the January 28, 2020 meeting minutes were currently unavailable but will be ready to be approved at the next board meeting, along with the minutes from today's meeting.

### **III. JACOBS ENGINEERING RENEWAL:**

Motion made by Terry Baskin, second by Edie Young to approve the renewal of the Jacobs Engineering contract. Vote unanimous.

### **IV. TASK ORDER #8:**

Josh Lawson from Jacobs Engineering discussed the Landfill Compliance Services, explaining that it is a fixed price with no added funding; services would include permitting and maintaining gas system.

Chairman Turner attested and reiterated Jeff Metarko's positive reviews about their services.

Motion made by Captain Sean MacDonald, second by Edie Young to approve Task Force #8. Vote unanimous.

### **V. TRANSFER STATION:**

Ms. Altimese Dees and Mr. Josh Lawson were available for discussion.

Commissioner DeMont Davis inquired about the fit of the transfer station in the proposed area including consistency and proximity to homes. Chairman Turner inquired about the traffic flow.

Mr. Lawson clarified that it would just depend. There are several factors including: road frontage (two assessable roads), services, and consolidation point for trucks, possible expansion (citizen options) during configuration, space, parking and traffic flow. The detail design and county objectives must also be factored in. Flow would dictate truck traffic and there would be no homes in immediate travel proximity.

Ms. Carp inquired about the cost. Ms. Dees explained that the land is still available. A “Letter of Intent” can be drawn up. We can make an offer on the other parcels and determine which lots we are still interested in.

Mr. Lawson stated that an RFI would be the first step. He advised to re-engage that interest as first action before the property acquisition.

Chairman Turner asked the board if they were in agreeance. All board members were in agreeance to move forward.

After a brief discussion, the board decided on all eleven acres. Chairman Turner stated we will get in touch with GFL, send out a “Letter of Intent”, and do our due diligence with environmental review and full evaluation. Tax Commissioner Terry Baskin inquired about getting a possible package deal since the parcels are individually owned by the same company. Ms. Dees stated that she would look into the possibility.

Chairman Turner informed the board that the next board meeting will be within thirty to forty-five days.

**VI. OPEN DISCUSSION:**

There was no open discussion.

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no public comments.

**VIII. ADJOURN:**

Motion made by Mary Ann Carp, second by Terry Baskin to adjourn the June 23, 2020 Solid Waste Management Authority Meeting at 10:43 a.m. Vote unanimous.

Courtney Rushin  
Assistant County Clerk