

Davidson County Solid Waste Regional Board
Minutes for April 23, 2020

The meeting of the Davidson County Solid Waste Regional Board was held on April 23, 2020 at 4 PM via WebEx teleconference. The teleconference login information was posted on the Boards website as well as call-in information. The meeting was live on Metro Nashville Network TV and streaming online.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. John Sherman, Chairman, and roll call was taken. The following members were present: Robert Diehl, Jennifer Hackett, Midori Lockett, Jeff McCormick, Beth Reardon and Jason Repsher.

Mr. Jeff McCormick made a motion "that this board meeting agenda constitutes essential business of the Metropolitan Government and that meeting electronically is necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of Tennesseans in light of the COVID-19 outbreak." Mr. Jason Repsher seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by roll call.

The first order of business was the approval of minutes from the December 4, 2019 meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Robert Diehl and seconded by Mr. Jeff McCormick to approve the minutes and the motion was passed unanimously by roll call. During this time Ms. Damita Beck-Taylor and Mayor Heidi Campbell entered the meeting.

The board heard a presentation from Sharon Smith at Metro Public Works on the 2019 Annual Progress Report. Before beginning, Ms. Smith welcomed members of the public to join the meeting and provided the call-in number. Ms. Smith proceeded to present the board with a short background on regional boards and the Annual Progress Report. She provided information on challenges, particularly with recycling contamination that had arisen in 2019. Public Works staff had used various methods including cart tagging, mailing postcards, updating the website and promoting acceptable material to reduce overall contamination. Data on disposal and recycling within the region were presented including charts showing the overall trend. During the presentation Ms. Lisa Smith entered the meeting.

Board members discussed cart tagging and how it was effective on reducing contamination in Goodlettsville. Ms. Smith said that Public Works would be willing to share graphics depicting acceptable recyclable material with the satellite cities if they were interested.

After all presentations, Mr. Sherman opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments.

Mr. Sherman asked for a motion to accept and approve the 2019 Annual Progress Report. Ms. Reardon made a motion, it was seconded by Mayor Campbell and passed with no objection by roll call.

At this time Mr. Ashby Barnes from TDEC raised his hand and was recognized by the Chair. Mr. Barnes stated that two votes were necessary. One vote on the Annual Progress Report and a separate vote on the Plan Update. Ms. Lisa Smith made a motion to accept the Plan Update. The motion was seconded by Mr. Robert Diehl and pass by roll call without objection.

Mr. Sherman proceeded to provide an update on the Mayor's Sustainable Advisory Committee. The committee is composed of leaders and subject matter experts in Nashville on a broad range of

sustainability issues. The Waste Reduction subcommittee was focusing on recommendations within the Long-term Zero Waste Master Plan.

Ms. Smith then gave a short summary of the Public Works response to the March 3rd Tornado and COVID-19 outbreak.

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn by Ms. Jeff McCormick seconded by Ms. Damita Beck-Taylor and it was passed unanimously by roll call.

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