Minutes of February 1, 2023 Carver-Wareham Regional Refuse Disposal District Zoom Virtual Public Meeting

PRESENT: Robert Belbin, Kevin Bradshaw, Amanda Cobb, Mary Dormer, Dave Menard, Judith Whiteside ALSO PRESENT: Executive Director Jeffrey Osuch, Kathryn Cannie (PARS), Dennis Mullins (U.S. Bank), Liz Lydon (MTC Law Group)

5:01pm Meeting called to order by Mr. Belbin.

MINUTES: Mr. Menard moved to approve minutes of the December 28, 2022 meeting, including Ms. Cobb's notes on the December 15 Transfer Station and Harvey Recycling visit; Mr. Bradshaw seconded. Roll call vote 5-0-1: Belbin-Y, Bradshaw-Y, Cobb-Y, Menard-Y., Whiteside Y. Ms. Dormer abstained.

FINANCIAL UPDATE:

- January Payroll warrant \$2,195.36 Ms. Dormer moved to accept, Ms. Cobb seconded. Roll call vote 6-0-0: Belbin-Y, Bradshaw-Y, Cobb-Y, Dormer-Y, Menard-Y, Whiteside-Y.
- January Bill warrant \$1,659.51 Ms. Cobb moved to accept, Ms. Whiteside seconded. Roll call vote 6-0-0: Belbin-Y, Bradshaw-Y, Cobb-Y, Dormer-Y, Menard-Y, Whiteside-Y.
- Bank balance \$510,425.40 as of December 31 (includes \$6,205 reimbursement from Town of Wareham), and does not reflect the \$450,000 withdrawn in early January to invest in two CDs. MS. Whiteside moved to accept the Financial Report, Ms. Dormer seconded. Roll call vote 6-0-0: Belbin-Y, Bradshaw-Y, Cobb-Y, Dormer-Y, Menard-Y, Whiteside-Y.

5:13pm Ms. Cannie and Mr. Mullins entered the meeting. Ms. Cannie had no updates on OPEB itself, so Mr. Mullins gave an overview of the market as it relates to our \$150,000 investment om the PARS program, with the current balance of \$147,020.13 as of December 31, 2022, and suggested keeping the portfolio on its current course. He plans to make no large tactical moves in the next few months.

Our Eastern Bank Bond Ladder balance at end of December was \$487,909.98.

5:34pm Ms. Cannie and Mr. Mullins left the meeting 5:34pm Ms. Lydon entered the meeting

OPEN MEETING LAW AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST LAW TRAINING:

Ms. Lydon gave a summary of the state of MA's regulations on OML and Conflict of Interest Law for Boards. She offered several suggestions and sources to navigate the challenging directives, including clarifying information on the Attorney General's website.

6:28pm Ms. Lydon left the meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

Mr. Osuch discussed the potential use of the closed S. Carver Landfill for solar, including the (negative) stance of our current insurance company, the premium for which is currently being paid by SEMASS, but which is set to expire in 2025. He suggests waiting until just prior to expiration to seek out an insurer who might cover installation of solar panels. Mr. Belbin would like to send a letter to A.D. Makepeace to gauge their potential intentions to install solar, and to request they get in touch with the District if they have any such intentions, so that the District can determine feasibility and future insurance costs.

6:36pm Mr. Bradshaw left the meeting.

Ms. Cobb moved that Mr. Osuch draft a letter to Makepeace regarding potential intentions regarding solar on the closed Carver Landfill. Ms. Whiteside seconded. Roll call vote 5-0-0: Belbin-Y, Cobb-Y, Dormer-Y, Menard-Y, Whiteside-Y.

Mr. Osuch noted that our Zoom contract will expire on Feb. 8, and that Zoom had offered a reduced rate of \$104/year (vs. \$149). Ms. Cobb moved to renew at the reduced rate; Ms. Dormer seconded. Roll call vote 5-0-0: Belbin-Y, Cobb-Y, Dormer-Y, Menard-Y, Whiteside-Y.

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Whiteside moved to adjourn; Ms. Dormer seconded. Roll call vote 5-0-0: Belbin-Y, Cobb-Y, Dormer-Y, Menard-Y, Whiteside-Y.

6:56pm Meeting adjourned.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, March 29 at 5pm via Zoom.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Bbb

Amanda Cobb, Secretary, CMWRRDD

Documents reviewed in this meeting:

- CMWRRDD Board Meeting Minutes 12-28-22
- Eastern Bank Account Statement October 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022
- Plymouth County OPEB Trust Statement December 2022
- CMWRRDD Updated P&L November 2022
- CMWRRDD P&L December 2022
- CMWRRDD payroll warrant January 2023
- CMWRRDD bill warrant January 2023

The foregoing minutes were submitted to the Town Clerk on 7/6/23.