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GUAM SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

July 15, 2015

11am – 12pm

Ricardo J. Bordallo Governor's Complex, Adelup
Small Conference Room

Minutes

I. Call to Order

The Guam Solid Waste Authority Board of Directors' meeting was called to order by Interim Chairman, Andrew Gayle, at 11:06am.

II. Roll Call

Board Members:

Andrew Gayle

Interim Chairman

Elyze Iriarte

Interim Secretary

Joseph Duenas

Board Member

Management & Staff:

David Manning

GBB Receiver Representative via phone

Chace Anderson

GBB Receiver, Operations Manager

Alicia Fejeran

GSWA Customer Service Supervisor

Keilani Mesa

GSWA Customer Service

Guests:

Georgette Concepcion

GSWA Board Legal Counsel

George Castro

Court Reporter

Bob Perron

Guahan Waste Control

Tom Hertslet

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 3, 2015 was made by Board member, Joseph Duenas. The motion was seconded by Interim Board Secretary, Elyze Iriarte. Motion was carried and minutes were approved.

IV. Reports

a. Management / Receiver Report



i. Monthly Tonnages and Collections

Receiver Operations Manager, Chace Anderson, stated that the Dededo Transfer Station closed as of the end of June. Since the closure of Dededo Transfer Station, the Harmon Transfer Station has had an increase in customers.

Interim Chair, Andrew Gayle, inquired on the glass bottle collection in the report. Mr. Anderson stated that the glass bottles that are accepted for recycle at the transfer stations are used as a coral replacement for the daily cover at the landfill after they have been crushed.

Receiver Representative, David Manning, explained the revenue report that was distributed to the Board. Cash collections are lower compared to June 2014, and billings were slightly higher. He also indicated that all areas on the operating budget remain under budget for the year to date but indicated that much of this is due to the fact that the Board report is on a cash basis while the final accounting for expenses and revenue will be on an accrual basis.

V. Unfinished Business

a. Sub-Committee Reports

i. GSWA Board of Directors Rules and Regulations

Proposed rules and regulations were submitted to the Legislature on June 6, 2015. It will remain there until September 6, 2015 – 90 days. It will then be promulgated.

ii. GSWA General Manager Search

Receiver Representative, David Manning, stated that the Receiver will not proceed with funding the job announcements until the new timeline is issued by the Court.

The Board will submit a letter to the Court regarding the GM/Controller search as they wish to proceed with publishing the job announcements. The letter will also address other Board concerns such as ratifying GSWA rates through the Public Utilities Commission and having autonomy over the Board's Legal Counsel.

The letter to the court has been drafted by the Board's Legal Counsel, Georgette Concepcion. David Manning stated that the Receiver will not approve payment to Ms. Concepcion for drafting the letter as he does not believe it is in the scope of work in her contract. He offered the Board the services of Board Clerk, Alicia Fejeran, to assist in drafting the letter. Board members believe assisting the Board with the letter is within Ms. Concepcion's scope of work. Elyze Iriarte suggested that the Board ask the Court to approve payment to Ms. Concepcion.

A subcommittee was formed to work with Georgette Concepcion to review and finalize the letter Ms. Concepcion had drafted. Board members, Joseph Duenas and Elyze Iriarte, are on this subcommittee.



Interim Chair, Andrew Gayle, followed up with David Manning on the status of an updated rate model. Mr. Manning informed the board that he intends to update the rate model as time and priorities permit. He stated that updating the rate model cannot be a priority at this time. He mentioned that there is currently sufficient information available for the administration to ratify rates if it desires to do so.

iii. GSWA CFO Search

VI. **New Business**

The Board discussed the 6/29/2015 Court Order regarding the Route 4 safety enhancements. Board legal counsel, Georgette Concepcion, distributed copies of the Order. She stated that the Order explains that the Court is without authority to order the Government of Guam to fund the safety enhancements and that the authority is within Government of Guam.

The remaining Consent Decree projects include updating the design and permitting of the transfer stations, the environmental closure of the Dededo transfer station, financing the post closure of Ordot dump, and the construction of Dero Road.

Receiver Operations Manager, Chace Anderson, explained the status of the Dero Road project. The court asked the Receiver to redesign the road to include storm water control, eliminate bicycle lanes, and repave the road. Receiver Senior Project Engineer, Chris Lund, is currently working on this project.

VII. **Open Discussion**

None.

VIII. **Public Forum**

Tom Hertslet suggested that GSWA look into a bottle crusher that might still be on Guam to use for the glass that is used as coral replacement at the landfill.

Mr. Hertslet also inquired if glass bottles were included in the Bottle Bill that was introduced by Senator Tina Muna Barnes. Bob Perron from Guahan Waste Control, who is Chairman for the Guam Environmental Protection Agency Board of Directors, stated glass is not included in the Bottle Bill.

IX. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on August 12, 2015 at 11am in the small conference room in Adelup.

X. **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn meeting at 11:48am was made by Elyze Iriarte. Motion was seconded by



Joseph Duenas. Motion passed.