

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**MONTGOMERY REGIONAL SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY**  
**January 15, 2026**

Chair Steve Fijalkowski called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Authority's Recycling Center Building and declared the existence of a quorum. Those present were Authority Board members, Mr. Steve Fijalkowski, Mr. Barry Helms, Mr. John Boyer, and Mr. Dwyn Taylor. Ms. Sharon Scott was absent. Also present were Mr. Alan Cummins, MRSWA Executive Director, Mr. Joe Levine, NRRA Executive Director, Mr. Ike Snider from NRRA, and Ms. Kim Stafford, MRSWA Administrative Coordinator.

The Election of MRSWA Board Officers for 2026 commenced. Mr. Cummins opened the floor for nominations for Board Chair. Mr. Boyer nominated Mr. Fijalkowski and moved to elect him as Chair. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote: Mr. Boyer, Aye; Mr. Taylor, Aye; Mr. Helms, Aye; and Mr. Fijalkowski, Aye. Nominations for Vice Chair were taken next. Mr. Helms nominated Ms. Scott and moved to elect her as Vice Chair. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote: Mr. Boyer, Aye; Mr. Taylor, Aye; Mr. Helms, Aye; and Mr. Fijalkowski, Aye. Mr. Boyer nominated Mr. Helms as Secretary/Treasurer and moved to elect him as Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote: Mr. Boyer, Aye; Mr. Taylor, Aye; Mr. Helms, Aye; and Mr. Fijalkowski, Aye.

Next, a teleconference was held with TerraForm Power. Mr. Tyler McGilvery and Ms. Francesca Callicotte participated from TerraForm Power over speaker telephone. At last month's meeting, Mr. Cummins provided the Board with a report written by TerraForm Power, which outlined options for the solar project. Mr. Cummins scheduled a teleconference for the January Board meeting so Board members could ask any questions concerning the report and future solar farm project activities. No Board members had questions, but Mr. Cummins asked what would be done in 2026 with the solar farm project. Mr. McGilvery said the lease option is the most viable option. He added that even though things have slowed down in terms of solar power projects nationwide, this is one of their top projects of this size. In 2026, Mr. McGilvery expects the site diligence reporting to be done. This includes an endangered species study and wetland study. He was not sure of the timing of these studies in 2026, just that they will occur. He added that if anyone has future questions, to please contact him.

Consent items were reviewed. There were no changes made to the agenda or the minutes of the December 11, 2025, MRSWA Board meeting. Mr. Cummins' reported expenses were .7% below projections and no transfer was made into the reserve account. He noted the capital expense for Ground Penetrating Radar Systems, LLC. This \$5,000 expense is part of the tipping floor project budgeted for FY 26/27. Mr. Cummins said the entire floor is not being replaced, only sections that are deemed very worn. The penetrating sonar system that was used can determine which areas need replaced. The December financials were presented for informational purposes. Mr. Helms moved approval of the consent items. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Solid Waste and Recycling Tonnage Reports were reviewed. Mr. Cummins said solid waste tonnage in December totaled 6,369 tons, bringing the fiscal year total to 43,712 tons. This is 1,391 tons more than last year and 3,525 tons above projected budget tonnages. Mr. Cummins added Meridian brought in 721 tons of municipal solid waste and 288 tons of construction debris.

Recycling tonnages in December were 489 tons, bringing the fiscal year total to 2,992 tons. This is less than last fiscal year by 166 tons and 115 tons less than the projected budget amount. Mr. Cummins said less single stream is being brought to the facility and it is across the board, commercial and

jurisdictional tonnages alike. Mr. Taylor stated there has been a cultural shift with fewer plastic water bottles being used and that could affect single stream tonnages. Single stream commodity pricing slightly increased to \$59.43 per ton. The single stream rejection rate was 0% for the month and the fiscal year rate was .01%.

Revenues for December were discussed. Mr. Cummins stated revenues were 4.5% above projections. A \$15,000 deposit was made, which was the third-year payment per the solar farm agreement. A \$34,190 transfer was made for the monthly front loader payment, and the final 25% payment for the landfill gas flare project. The recycling profit loss report showed revenues exceeded expenses by \$6,376. For the fiscal year, expenses exceeded revenues by \$8,194. This brought the recycling position to \$51,341.

The FY 2026-2027 Budget Process was discussed. Mr. Cummins presented a date outline for the budget process. He asked Board members when they could meet the first week in March. There was a consensus that Monday, March 2 from 9:00 am until 11:00 am would work best. Mr. Cummins said Ms. Scott would be contacted about the date.

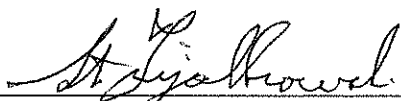
Next, Mr. Levine gave the NRRA report. He introduced Ike Snider, a 26-year employee of NRRA. He said the NRRA budget is ready to go to the Board and no changes in rates are projected. Mr. Levine said this was due to more than expected tonnages/revenues coming in from Wythe and Bland Counties. He also mentioned that Meridian has been hauling construction debris to NRRA recently. These loads are being checked at the scales to confirm they are construction debris. Mr. Levine noted that MXI Environmental was bought by another company. MXI is who NRRA and MRSWA use for Household Hazardous Waste events.

There were no public comments.

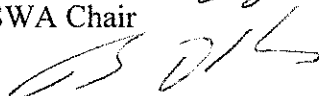
In Board comments, Mr. Boyer apologized for missing the December Board meeting. Mr. Fijalkowski asked if the Board was interested in Ms. Scott developing a scoring document for the upcoming Executive Director evaluation. They agreed this would be beneficial.

Board members unanimously agreed the next meeting of the Authority Board would take place on February 19, 2026, at 1:30 pm at the Authority's Recycling Center Building conference room. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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