

MATERIALS INNOVATION AND RECYCLING AUTHORITY

FIVE HUNDRED AND TWENTY ONE

October 14, 2020

A Regular Telephonic (Zoom) Board meeting of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020. Present via audio or video conferencing were:

Directors:

Chairman Stein
Vice-Chairman Dick Barlow
John Adams (Joined@9:45 am)
Pat Widlitz
Edward Bailey
Carl Fortuna, Jr.
Jim Hayden
Scott Shanley (Joined@11:05 am)
Susan Weisselberg
Tom Swarr, CSWS Ad Hoc
Luke Bronin (Joined@11:50 am)

Present from MIRA:

Tom Kirk, President
Mark Daley, Chief Financial Officer
Laurie Hunt, Director of Legal Services
Peter Egan, Director of Operations and Environmental Affairs
Jeffrey Duvall, Director of Budgets and Forecasting
Cheryl Kaminsky, Manager of Accounting & Financial Reporting
Thomas Gaffey, Director of Recycling & Enforcement

Public Present:

Ann Catino, Halloran & Sage
Tom Hennick, Freedom of Information Commission
Richard Altman, Commercial Aviation Alternative Fuels Initiative

Chairman Stein called the meeting officially to order at 9:30 a.m. and said that a quorum was present.

PUBLIC PORTION

Chairman Stein said the agenda allowed for a public portion in which the Board would accept written testimony and allow individuals to speak for a limit of three minutes. As there were no members of the public who wished to address the Board, the meeting commenced.

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2020 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Stein requested a motion to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2020 Regular Board meeting. Director Bailey made the motion which was seconded by Director Weisselberg.

The motion was previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call. Chairman Stein, Vice-Chairman Barlow, Director Bailey, Director Widlitz, Director Hayden, Director Fortuna, Director Weisselberg and Ad Hoc Swarr. Director Widlitz noted that she attended the meeting, but was not listed among the Directors present. With that correction, the minutes were approved.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Chairman Stein	X		
Vice Chairman Barlow	X		
Edward Bailey	X		
Pat Widlitz	X		
Jim Hayden	X		
Carl Fortuna	X		

Susan Weisselberg			X
Ad Hoc Members	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Tom Swarr, CSWS Ad Hoc	X		

PRESENTATIONS

At the request of the Chairman, Tom Hennick of the Freedom of Information Commission made a presentation to the Board regarding FOI best practices for board meetings.

At the request of the Chairman, Richard Altman of the Commercial Aviation Alternative Fuels Initiative made a presentation to the Board regarding opportunities related to the production of aviation and other fuels from MSW.

POLICIES AND PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE

REVIEW AND RECOMMEND RESOLUTION REGARDING ROOF REPAIRS TO THE CSWS RECYCLING FACILITY.

Chairman Stein requested a motion on the above referenced item. Director Barlow made the motion which was seconded by Director Widlitz.

RESOLVED: That the MIRA Board of Directors ratifies the Emergency Procurement as substantially presented and discussed at this meeting.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call. Chairman Stein, Vice-Chairman Barlow, Director Adams, Director Bailey, Director Widlitz, Director Hayden, Director Fortuna, Director Weisselberg and Ad Hoc Swarr.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Chairman Stein	X		
Vice Chairman Barlow	X		

John Adams	X		
Edward Bailey	X		
Pat Widlitz	X		
Jim Hayden	X		
Carl Fortuna	X		
Susan Weisselberg	X		
Ad Hoc Members	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Tom Swarr, CSWS Ad Hoc	X		

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Stein requested a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss feasibility estimates and evaluations regarding the development of MIRA’s FY 22 budgets and pending litigation regarding MIRA’s consideration of action in two separate matters to assert its legal rights. The motion was made by Director Adams and seconded by Director Widlitz. Chairman Stein requested that the following people remain for the Executive Session, in addition to the Board members:

- Tom Kirk
- Mark Daley
- Peter Egan
- Laurie Hunt
- Ann Catino
- Tom Gaffey

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call. Chairman Stein, Vice-Chairman Barlow, Director Adams, Director Bailey, Director Widlitz, Director Fortuna, Director Shanley, Director Weisselberg and Ad Hoc Swarr voted yes.

Directors	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Chairman Stein	X		
Vice Chairman Barlow	X		

John Adams	X		
Edward Bailey	X		
Pat Widlitz	X		
Scott Shanley	X		
Carl Fortuna	X		
Susan Weisselberg	X		
Ad Hoc Members	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Tom Swarr, CSWS Ad Hoc	X		

The Executive Session commenced at 11:48 a.m. and ended at 12:20 p.m. Chairman Stein noted that no votes were taken, and adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

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