

**CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY**

**FOUR HUNDRED AND FORTY-THIRD**

**DECEMBER 18, 2008**

A Regular meeting of the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority Board of Directors was held on Thursday, December 18, 2008, at 100 Constitution Plaza, Hartford, Connecticut. Those present were:

Chairman Michael Pace

Directors: David B. Damer  
Alan Desmarais  
Timothy Griswold  
Michael Jarjura (Present by telephone beginning 11:58 a.m.)  
Mark Lauretti  
Theodore Martland  
Raymond O'Brien  
Linda Savitsky,  
Steve Edwards, Bridgeport Project Ad-Hoc  
Warren Howe, Wallingford Project Ad-Hoc  
Geno Zandri, Wallingford Project Ad-Hoc

Present from CRRA management:

Tom Kirk, President  
Jim Bolduc, Chief Financial Officer  
David Bodendorf, Senior Environmental Engineer  
Michael Bzdyra, Government Relations Liaison  
Jeffery Duvall, Manger of Budgets and Forecasting  
Peter Egan, Director of Environmental Affairs & Development  
Tom Gaffey, Director of Enforcement/Recycling  
Laurie Hunt, Director of Legal Services  
Paul Nonnenmacher, Director of Public Affairs  
Trevor Nichols, Senior Operations Analyst  
Virginia Raymond, Senior Analyst  
John Romano, Project Manager  
Lisa Bremmer, Executive Assistant  
Moirra Kenney, Secretary to the Board/Paralegal

Also present were: Phil Armetta of Middletown; Argeo Diaz; Steve Cassano; Mayor Dickinson of the Town of Wallingford, CT; Bob Gross of Wallingford, CT; Mike Harder of the Town of Vernon, CT; John Lawrence of Shippan; David Omorin of *The Record Journal*; John Pizzimenti of USA Hauling & Recycling; Jim Sandler of Sandler and Mra; Cheryl Thibeault of Covanta; Jerry Tyminski of SCRRA; Doreen Zaback of the Wallingford Project.

Chairman Pace called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and noted that there was a quorum.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Pace requested that everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance, whereupon the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 20, 2008, REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2008, Regular Board Meeting. Vice-Chairman O’Brien made a motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Director Savitsky.

The minutes were approved as amended and discussed by roll call.

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Dave Damer	X		
Alan Desmarais	X		
Timothy Griswold	X		
Mark Lauretti	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
<b>Ad-Hocs</b>			
Steve Edwards, Bridgeport	X		
Warren H, Howe, Jr., Wallingford	X		
Geno Zandri, Jr., Wallingford	X		

**RESOLUTION REGARDING RATIFICATION OF EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to approve the above-captioned item. Director O’Brien made the following motion:

**RESOLVED:** That the Authority Board of Directors ratifies the Emergency procurement as substantially presented and discussed at this meeting.

The motion was seconded by Director Martland.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Dave Damer	X		
Alan Desmarais	X		
Timothy Griswold	X		
Mark Lauretti	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
<b>Ad-Hocs</b>			
Steve Edwards, Bridgeport			
Warren H, Howe, Jr., Wallingford			
Geno Zandri, Jr., Wallingford			

**RESOLUTION REGARDING ASH RESIDUE TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSAL SERVICES FOR THE WALLINGFORD RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to approve the above-captioned item. Director O'Brien made the following motion:

**WHEREAS:** CRRA's Board of Directors passed a resolution at its September 25, 2008 meeting authorizing CRRA's President to execute an agreement with Covanta Mid-Connecticut, Inc. to provide transportation and disposal services for ash residue from the Wallingford Resource Recovery Facility, and

**WHEREAS:** Covanta Mid-Connecticut, Inc. has not agreed to CRRA's contract terms substantially as represented by CRRA in the public solicitation for these services, and CRRA staff has concluded that it is unable to reach agreement with Covanta Mid-Connecticut, Inc., it is therefore

**RESOLVED:** That the resolution passed by the CRRA Board of Directors on September 25, 2008 regarding a contract between CRRA and Covanta Mid-Connecticut, Inc. for transportation and disposal services for ash residue from the Wallingford Resource Recovery Facility is hereby rescinded; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the President is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Wheelabrator Tehnologies, Inc. to provide transportation and disposal

services for ash residue from the Wallingford Resource Recovery Facility, substantially as presented and discussed at this meeting.

The motion was seconded by Director Martland.

**MOTION TO TABLE**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to table the above referenced item. Director O’Brien made the motion which was seconded by Director Desmarais.

The motion previously to table was approved unanimously by roll call.

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Dave Damer	X		
Alan Desmarais	X		
Timothy Griswold	X		
Mark Lauretti	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
<b>Ad-Hocs</b>			
Steve Edwards, Bridgeport			
Warren H, Howe, Jr., Wallingford			
Geno Zandri, Jr., Wallingford			

**RESOLUTION REGARDING THE REBUILD OF A CATERPILLAR D6HLGP DOZER FOR THE MID-CONNECTICUT WASTE PROCESSING FACILITY**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to approve the above-captioned item. Director O’Brien made the following motion:

**RESOLVED:** That the President is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with H.O. Penn to complete a transmission, drive train and body upgrades for a Caterpillar D6HLGP Dozer to be used at the Mid-Connecticut Waste Processing Facility (“WPF”), substantially as presented and discussed at this meeting.

The motion was seconded by Director Martland.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Dave Damer	X		
Alan Desmarais	X		
Timothy Griswold	X		
Mark Lauretti	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
<b>Ad-Hocs</b>			
Steve Edwards, Bridgeport			
Warren H, Howe, Jr., Wallingford			
Geno Zandri, Jr., Wallingford			

**RESOLUTION REGARDING A FOURTH AMMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CRRA AND THE CITY OF HARTFORD FOR USE OF THE HARTFORD LANDFILL**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to approve the above-captioned item. Director O'Brien made the following motion:

**RESOLVED:** That the President is authorized to execute a Fourth Amendment to the lease agreement between CRRA and the City of Hartford for use of the Hartford Landfill, substantially as presented and discussed at this meeting.

The motion was seconded by Director Damer.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Dave Damer	X		
Alan Desmarais	X		
Timothy Griswold	X		
Mark Lauretti	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		

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**RESOLUTION REGARDING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SHELTON FOR USE OF CRRA’S SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION LOCATED AT 866 RIVER ROAD IN SHELTON, CONNECTICUT**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to approve the above-captioned item. Director O’Brien made the following motion:

**RESOLVED:** That the President is authorized to execute a lease agreement with the City of Shelton for use of CRRA’s solid waste transfer station located at 866 River Road in Shelton, Connecticut, substantially as discussed and presented an this meeting

The motion was seconded by Director Martland.

Director Lauretti recused himself from the discussion.

**MOTION TO TABLE**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to table the item until Director Jarjura could be present for voting.

Director O’Brien made the motion which was seconded by Director Savitsky.

The motion previously to table was approved unanimously by roll call.

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Michael Pace, Chairman	<b>X</b>		
Dave Damer	<b>X</b>		
Alan Desmarais	<b>X</b>		
Timothy Griswold	<b>X</b>		
Mark Lauretti	<b>X</b>		
Theodore Martland	<b>X</b>		
Raymond O'Brien	<b>X</b>		
Linda Savitsky	<b>X</b>		
<b>Ad-Hocs</b>			

Steve Edwards, Bridgeport	X		
Warren H, Howe, Jr., Wallingford			
Geno Zandri, Jr., Wallingford			

**RESOLUTION REGARDING REQUEST FOR SERVICES FOR ASH LANDFILL SITING INITIATIVE**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to approve the above-captioned item. Director O’Brien made the following motion:

**RESOLVED:** That the President is hereby authorized to approve a Request for Services with Strategic Persuasions Group LLC for services associated with CRRA’s ash landfill siting initiative substantially as presented and discussed at this meeting.

The motion was seconded by Director Lauretti.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved unanimously by roll call.

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Dave Damer	X		
Alan Desmarais	X		
Timothy Griswold	X		
Mark Lauretti	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O’Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
<b>Ad-Hocs</b>			
Steve Edwards, Bridgeport			
Warren H, Howe, Jr., Wallingford			
Geno Zandri, Jr., Wallingford			

**RESOLUTION REGARDING MEETING PUBLIC POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to approve the above-captioned item. Director O’Brien made the following motion:

**WHEREAS:** The CRRA Board of Directors, since it was reconstituted by the General Assembly in 2002, has emphasized openness, transparency and accountability in all its dealings; and

**WHEREAS:** These principles have caused the CRRA Board of Director to invite and accept comments from the public at its meetings;

**NOW THEREFORE, it is RESOLVED:** That the Board hereby adopts the Meeting Public Comment Policy and Procedure substantially as presented and discussed at this meeting.

The motion was seconded by Director Martland.

Director Griswold asked if the policy allows for answers to be given after the fact. Mr. Nonnenmacher replied that the language was changed to allow the meeting Chairman discretion to allow that.

**AMMENDMENT TO THE MOTION**

Director Savitsky proposed an amendment that the public comment time limit be changed from 3-5 minutes and strikes the sentence immediately following.

Vice-Chairman O’Brien and Director Martland accepted the changes as a friendly amendment.

Chairman Pace suggested the policy be used as guidance for the Chair of the CRRA Board.

**SECOND AMMENDMENT TO THE MOTION**

Vice-Chairman O’Brien moved that the policy will be published as guidance to the Chair and the CRRA Board.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved as amended and discussed unanimously by roll call.

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Dave Damer	X		
Alan Desmarais	X		
Timothy Griswold	X		
Mike Jarjura	X		
Mark Lauretti	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
<b>Ad-Hocs</b>			

Steve Edwards, Bridgeport			
Warren H, Howe, Jr., Wallingford			
Geno Zandri, Jr., Wallingford			

**RESOLUTION REGARDING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SHELTON FOR USE OF CRRA’S SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION LOCATED AT 866 RIVER ROAD IN SHELTON, CONNECTICUT**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to move from the table and approve the above-captioned item. Vice-Chairman O’Brien made the following motion:

**RESOLVED:** That the President is authorized to execute a lease agreement with the City of Shelton for use of CRRA’s solid waste transfer station located at 866 River Road in Shelton, Connecticut, substantially as discussed and presented an this meeting

The motion was seconded by Director Savitsky.

The motion previously made and seconded was approved by roll call. Director Lauretti abstained.

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Dave Damer	X		
Alan Desmarais	X		
Timothy Griswold	X		
Mike Jarjura	X		
Mark Lauretti			X
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
<b>Ad-Hocs</b>			
Steve Edwards, Bridgeport	X		
Warren H, Howe, Jr., Wallingford			
Geno Zandri, Jr., Wallingford			

**ADDITION OF DISCUSSION ITEM TO THE AGENDA**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to add an item to the agenda. Vice-Chairman O’Brien made the motion which was seconded by Director Desmarais.

The motion to add an item to the agenda was approved unanimously by roll call.

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Michael Pace, Chairman	X		
Dave Damer	X		
Alan Desmarais	X		
Timothy Griswold	X		
Mike Jarjura	X		
Mark Lauretti	X		
Theodore Martland	X		
Raymond O'Brien	X		
Linda Savitsky	X		
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Geno Zandri, Jr., Wallingford			

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation with appropriate staff. The motion made by Director O'Brien and seconded by Director Savitsky was approved unanimously by roll call. Chairman Pace requested that the following people be invited to the Executive Session in addition to the Directors:

Tom Kirk  
 Jim Bolduc  
 Peter Egan  
 Laurie Hunt, Esq.  
 Paul Nonnenmacher

The Executive Session began at 2:03 p.m. and concluded at 2:03 p.m. Chairman Pace noted that no votes were taken in Executive Session.

The meeting was reconvened at 2:03 p.m., the door was opened, and the Board secretary and all members of the public were invited back in for the continuation of public session.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Pace requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion made by Vice-Chairman O'Brien and seconded by Director Martland was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Moira Kenney  
Secretary to the Board/Paralegal