

**Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County, Florida**

**SWA Executive Committee Meeting**

**April 18, 2025, 9:00 – 10:00 AM**

Broward County Government Center West

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room – Surtax Plaza

1 North University Drive

Plantation, FL 33324

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order, roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

Present: Chair Ryan, Alternate Member Geller, Member Shuham, Member Horland, Member Metayer Bowen, Member Dunn, Member Rydell, Member Mead, Member Caggiano, Member AJ Ryan, Alternate Member Breitkreuz, and Broward School Board Representative Member Bulman.

Not Present: Vice Chair Furr, Member Newton, Member Glassman.

There was no public comment made.

**Executive Director Report**

Executive Director Todd Storti introduced Angela Harms of CohnResnick to give the Financial Report. Angela Harms presented the financial report for the end of March 2025, showing a net cash position of \$1,435,612 and total net assets of \$2,779,657. Executive Committee Members were reminded to submit their BSWA member city assessment payments, with a follow-up email to be sent shortly. The Executive Director attended an initial regionalization meeting with the South Florida Regional Planning Council and counties, with regular meetings planned and a future presentation expected. The Committee discussed canceling the May 16 meeting and combining it with the May 21 Governing Board workshop, which will focus on reviewing the draft Master Plan and approving the ILA extension. The Executive Director was tasked with updating new Governing Board Members prior to that meeting.

A motion was made by Alternate Member Geller and seconded to reschedule the May 16 Executive Committee meeting to the May 21 Governing Board meeting date. No comment was made. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Member Metayer Bowen and seconded by Vice Chair Gellar to approve the Executive Committee meeting minutes for February 10, 2025 EC Workshop, February 21, 2025 EC Meeting, March 14, 2025 EC Workshop, March 21, 2025 EC Meeting, March 21, 2025 Audit Committee Meeting, March 23, 2025 Earth Day Panel. No comment was made. The motion passed unanimously.

**Audit Selection Committee Update**

The Audit Selection Committee shared that only one firm, Citrin Cooperman, responded to the recent Request for Proposals (RFP) for audit services within the allotted period. The Committee selected Citrin Cooperman as the auditor. The limited response was attributed to the engagement's small scale.

A motion was made by Alternate Member Geller and seconded by Member Mead to select Citrin Cooperman as the auditor. No comment was made. Roll was called. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Ongoing Outreach and Education Plan**

Laurie Menekou from Conceptual Communications presented an update on the phased public outreach campaign. The business survey was still in progress and both social media and newspaper engagement was ongoing. The monthly digital newsletter had a high open rate, and a new Earth Day video campaign involving student interns was launched. Cities were encouraged to create localized educational videos based on Conceptual's format and with their support as needed.

### **C&D White Paper Review**

Travis Barnes from RRS reported that construction and demolition debris make up 44% of the county's waste, with only 39% currently recycled. Key materials for recovery include asphalt, concrete, and metals. The committee reviewed state recycling requirements and potential policy tools, drawing on examples from other Florida counties. Legal, financial, and jurisdictional challenges were discussed, particularly regarding affordable housing and municipal authority. Since Broward County cannot mandate municipal participation, interlocal agreements and a dedicated subcommittee were proposed. A model ordinance was also suggested, with the Solid Waste Authority of Broward County serving as providing a unifying framework.

### **SCS Master Plan Update**

The SCS team reported on the Master Plan progress, with nine white papers completed and a draft of the final plan expected by May 9. Public outreach meetings are scheduled for June.

### **County Update**

The county update highlighted that a new countywide ordinance on battery recycling was adopted, requiring retailers meeting certain sales thresholds to provide free recycling services, with enforcement measures set to begin after an educational period.

### **New/Old Business & Informational Materials**

The Executive Director was tasked with supplying a copy of the battery recycling ordinance to the Executive Committee members.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Alternate Member Geller and seconded by Member Metayer Bowen. The motion passed unanimously.