

# GUAM SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

August 16, 2017 11am – 12pm

# Guam Solid Waste Authority, Tamuning GSWA Conference Room

**Minutes** 

#### I. Call to Order

The Guam Solid Waste Authority Board of Directors' meeting was called to order by Chairman, Andrew Gayle, at 11:07 am.

#### II. Roll Call

#### **Board Members:**

Andrew Gayle Chairman

Jonathan Denight Vice Chairman

Minakshi Hemlani Secretary

Management & Staff:

David Manning Receiver Representative (via phone)
Chace Anderson Receiver Operations Manager

Roman Perez GSWA Operations Supervisor
Coleen Cruz GSWA Customer Service
Chelsea Cruz GSWA Customer Service

**Guests:** 

Ron White Green Group Holdings
Bob Perron Mr. Rubbishman

# III. Approval of Minutes

Board members reviewed minutes from the July 19, 2017 board meeting. Vice Chairman, Jonathan Denight moved to approve the minutes. Board Secretary, Minakshi Hemlani, seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the minutes were approved.

# IV. Reports

# a. Management/Receiver's Report

# i. Monthly Tonnages and Collections

Receiver Operations Manager, Chace Anderson, informed the Board that there was an increase on the total of loads of bio solids hauled to Layon from Guam Water Authority.

### ii. Operating Budget

The Operating Budget was not discussed due to presentation of the Receiver's Quarterly Report in the District Court on August 23, 2017.

# b. Remaining Court Ordered Tasks

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### i. Residential Transfer Station Remediation

No discussion; Receivers' Quarterly Report forthcoming.

# ii. Environmental Closure of Dededo Transfer Station

No discussion; Receivers' Quarterly Report forthcoming.

- iii. Ordot Cap Maintenance
- iv. No discussion; Receivers' Quarterly Report forthcoming.
- v. Independent Engineer

No discussion; Receivers' Quarterly Report forthcoming.

vi. Trustee

No discussion; Receivers' Quarterly Report forthcoming.

### c. Committee Reports

# i. Management Team Search - GM and CFO

Vice Chairman Denight reported that Mr. Greg Martin accepted the position of General Manager and that the committee was working on bringing him to Guam by September 1st. He also reported that the Receiver is requiring written confirmation from the Attorney General ("AG") and the Department of Administration ("DOA") that the contract with Mr. Martin is valid. He said that the original contract with all signatures should be sufficient, and if not, he could request an email from Christine Baleto, DOA Director, stating she had read the contract and it complied with all applicable rules and regulations. Receiver Operations Manager Anderson informed the Board that an email from the DOA Director would suffice as confirmation of DOA's review, and that the Attorney General's signature on the contract would confirm legal review. Board members confirmed receipt of Receiver Operations Manager Anderson's email regarding Mr. Martin's background check and items pending, including credit check. The Board was satisfied with the report so far, and agreed that minor discrepancies could be easily confirmed. Vice Chairman Denight requested that Board Clerk, Alicia Fejeran, reserve Mr. Martin's flight and suggested that she use a travel agent to hold seats without payment.

Vice Chairman Denight reported that there were two applicants for the Controller position and suggested that Mr. Martin, as future GM, be active in the hiring of the Controller. For consistency, the Board decided that GSWA would utilize the term "Controller" for the position, versus "Comptroller".

# ii. Personnel Transition

#### a. Status of Proposed Legislation

Chairman, Andrew Gayle, reported on the public hearing held in the previous week. He said that senators requested clarifications regarding some language in the proposed legislation, and that Legal Counsel, Georgette Concepcion, would work on the same. Chairman Gayle said that the Guam Legislature was focused on their budget, and would then reconsider the proposed legislation. He reported that Senator San Nicolas had concerns about the debt that is currently being paid by Section 30 funds, and whether the debt would be assumed by the

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Guam Solid Waste Authority because of certain language in the proposed transition legislation about "liabilities...attributable to the authority." Receiver Representative, David Manning, stated that the debt belonged to the Government of Guam – not GSWA – and should not be assumed. Chairman Gayle agreed and explained that Senators were concerned about the impact on the rates. The Board confirmed receiving a copy of the written testimony submitted by the Attorney General in support of the bill and noted she had a question regarding the transfer of the employees from unclassified to classified.

#### V. Unfinished Business

### a. Updates to GSWA Rules

Receiver Operations Manager Anderson reported that the he will provide information on the rules to the Board, after presentation of the Quarterly Report in District Court on August 23, 2017.

# b. Rate Adoption by PUC

The Board discussed the proposed transition legislation which would validate the current rates, but GSWA would have to make a presentation to PUC to update rates at a later time.

#### c. Court Order

Chairman Gayle reported that he filed the Board's status report in District Court on August 15, 2017, and would forward a copy to Secretary Hemlani, who was not on previous court emails.

# VI. New Business

# a. Board member terms expiring this year

It was reported that terms are ending for Chairman Gayle and Board member, Alexandra Taitano, around the end of 2017, but they would continue to serve until new appointments were made.

#### VII. Open Discussion

No discussion.

# VIII. Public Forum

No discussion.

#### IX. Next Meeting

The next Board meeting was scheduled for September 6, 2017 at 11am at the Guam Solid Waste Authority conference room.

#### X. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Secretary Hemlani at 11:36am. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Denight. The motion passed unanimously.

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