

*Southeast Berrien County Landfill Authority*  
Regular Board of Directors Meeting  
May 15, 2024

**1. Call to Order.**

The May 15-2024 Special Board of Directors of the Southeast Berrien County Landfill Authority was called to order by Tom Gordon at 5:32 pm.

**2. Pledge Recited**

- 3. Roll Call:** Mindy Cole Crocker, Tom Gordon ... ( Buchanan Township)  
Dave Kuhn , David Zelmer ..... ( Bertrand Township )  
Linda Casperson ..... ( City of Niles )  
Patrick Swem, Mark Weedon ..... ( City of Buchanan )  
Dan Pulaski, Herschel Hoese ..... ( Niles Charter Township )

Absent: Bill Weimer ( City of Niles ).

Others Present: Bob Kras General Manager..

**4. Consent Calendar**

Approval Agenda for May 15 2024

Approved April 17 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

Approved April 30 2024 Special Board Meeting Minutes.

**Mark Weedon Motioned to Approve 2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Zelmer to approve Consent Calendar**  
Voice vote approval motion carried (9-0 )

**5. Public Comments.** None.

**6. Finance Committee Meeting May 10th, 2024**

Mindy Cole Crocker summarized the Finance Committee meeting minutes of May 10th, 2024 and presented the following to the board members for approval:

**#01-05-24**

Mindy Cole Crocker motioned , 2<sup>nd</sup> Patrick Swem to move to approve to the full board the Balance Sheet for April 30th 2024 as presented.

Roll call vote showed unanimous approval motion carried ( 9-0 )

**#02-05-24**

Mindy Cole Crocker 2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Zelmer to move to approve the Income Statement to the Full Board for April 30th 2024 as presented.

Roll call vote showed unanimous approval motion carried ( 9-0 )

**#03-05-24**

**Mindy Cole Crocker motioned, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mark Weedon to move to approve to the Full Board the Check Register Dated May 8<sup>th</sup> 2024 as presented .**

Roll call vote showed unanimous approval motion carried ( 9-0 )

#### **7. Operations Committee Meeting May 10th 2024**

**Tom Gordon summarized the Operations Committee meeting minutes of May 10<sup>th</sup>2024.**

**#04-05-24**

**Tom Gordon motioned, 2<sup>nd</sup> Patrick Swem to recommend to the Full Board the approval to hire Kacher Tree Service to chip the brush pile not to exceed \$31,200.**

Roll call vote showed unanimous approval motion carried ( 9-0 )

**#05-05-24**

**Tom Gordon motioned, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mark Weedon to recommend to the Full Board the approval to repair the Aljon Compactor not to exceed 24,324.95 by S2 Manufacturing.**

Roll call vote showed unanimous approval motion carried ( 9-0 )

#### **8. Human Resources Committee**

#### **9. Executive Committee : Did not meet**

#### **10. Unfinished Business.**

Bob Kras told the board the landfill has a good outlook, looks to be in great shape and a good group of employees. Bob thanked the board members  
Hershal Hoese asked Tom how much longer Tom was staying on to assist Bob, he will stay on as needed.

There were general comments from the Board members...

Dave Kuhn again suggested an Environmental Committee be considered..

#### **11. New Business.**

Motion by Pat swen to adopt Resolution 2024-2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Zelmer to appoint Robert Kras as General Manager of SBCLA.

Roll call vote showed unanimous approval motion carried ( 9-0 )

#### **General Managers Comments :**

Tom Gordon addressed Wetlands

Students from Ontowa Twp and Michigan City In. had a field trip to the landfill.

Household Hazardous day had approximately 450 people dropped off items.

Union news still fact finding. July 12<sup>th</sup> 2024 report scheduled.

John Deere repaired and running.

**12. Adjournment :**

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:08pm

Respectfully Submitted:  
Dan Pulaski, Note Taker

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Tom Gordon  
Chairperson  
May 15th, 2024

Date

*Southeast Berrien County Landfill Authority*  
Regular Board of Directors Meeting  
July 17th, 2024

**This is an amendment to the minutes of May 15<sup>th</sup> 2024.**

**Under New Business a Motion was made in the following:**

**11. New Business.**

Motion by Pat Swem to adopt Resolution 2024-2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Zelmer to appoint Robert Kras as General Manager of SBCLA.

Roll call vote showed unanimous approval motion carried ( 9-0 )

Under amended Minutes of May 15<sup>th</sup> 2024 to include:

11. New Business

Motion by Pat Swem to adopt Resolution 2024-2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Zelmer to appoint Robert Kras as General Manager of SBCLA **and also note in this Resolution that the General Manager has authority under the section labeled Bank Account and Payroll Services.**

Respectfully Submitted:  
Dan Pulaski, Note Taker



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Tom Gordon  
Chairperson  
July 17th, 2024

Date