

# CITY OF SALEM SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

## Minutes

**DATE:** August 17, 2023

**PLACE:** Finance Conference Room (555 Liberty St SE, RM 230)

**CHAIRPERSON:** Virginia Stapleton

**STAFF LIAISON:** Ryan Zink, Senior Fiscal Analyst 503-588-6258 [RZink@cityofsalem.net](mailto:RZink@cityofsalem.net)

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### **Members Present:**

Councilor Virginia Stapleton  
Councilor Deanna Gwyn  
Councilor Linda Nishioka  
Councilor Micki Varney

### **Members Absent:**

Alternate-Councilor Julie Hoy

### **Staff Present:**

Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer  
Kali Leinenbach, Budget Manager  
Ryan Zink, Senior Fiscal Analyst/Franchise Administrator  
Nitin Joshi, Public Works Operations Manager  
Kelli Blechschmidt, Management Analyst II  
Shengnan Thomas, Administrative Analyst I

### **Guest Present:**

Brian May, Marion County Public Works Environmental Services Division Manager

1. CALL TO ORDER: 12:00 PM / Quorum

2. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

a. July 14, 2023

Motion was moved by Member Nishioka, seconded by Member Gwyn, and carried by the following vote:

Aye: Unanimous  
Nay: None  
Abstentions: None

3. Public Comment
  - a. Jim Scheppke regarding solid waste rate setting and system.
4. Action Items
  - a. None
5. Management Update / Information Items
  - a. Solid waste system, infrastructure, and partners
    - i. Guest introduction and presentation by Brian May, Marion County
    - ii. Garten Facilities tour opportunity on Aug. 29 and Aug 30, 10:30-11:30. Covanta and Marion Resource Recovery Facility tour will be scheduled for September.
    - iii. Marion Resources Movement Program/Classes opportunity in Fall 2023  
  
Questions or comments: Chair Stapleton, Member Gwyn, Member Nishioka, Member Varney  
  
Answers or comments: Brian May, Marion County
  - b. Salem Revised Code rate setting council policy consideration by Ryan Zink, Franchise Administrator  
  
Questions or comments: Chair Stapleton, Member Varney, Member Nishioka  
  
Answers or comments: Ryan Zink, Franchise Administrator, Brian May, Marion County
  - c. Solid Waste Hauler's rate request and rate setting processes.  
  
Questions or comments: Chair Stapleton, Member Nishioka, Member Varney  
  
Answers or comments: Ryan Zink, Franchise Administrator, Brian May, Marion County, Kali Leinenbach, Budget Manager, Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer
  - d. May 8 Climate Action Plan Committee meeting slides for reference
6. New Business  
December meeting date/time conflict. Revisit next meeting.
7. Adjournment: 1:34PM

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 21, 2023 at 12:00 PM.