Chairman Widdifield called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm andread the Open Public Meetings Act statement.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

ROLL CALL
Schneider, Lewis Present
Bestwick, Susan Present
Widdifield, Robert Present
Williams, Paul Present
Taylor, Cordy Present

Also present were Lodie Van Tonder of SCIA, Arie Kremen of Cornerstone Engineering, Mark Shoemaker, Esquire, and Jim McKelvie, PE of Alaimo, and three members of the public were present (Steven DeMatteo of Pittsgrove Township, Michael McAllister of Salem, and Timothy Mangold of Mannington Township).

MINUTES
Regular meeting of November 10, 2016 – (M) Taylor (S) Williams to approve minutes. Motion carried by voice vote 5-0.

SOLID WASTE DIVISION

Solid Waste Division report dated December 2016 was provided to everyone prior to the meeting. Solid Waste Division Manager Melinda Williams was not present due to a vacation. Lodie Van Tonder was present and advised that there was nothing to add to the report.

Chairman Widdifield, without objection, ordered the Division Manager’s report be received and filed.

Landfill Engineer’s Report dated November 30, 2016, was presented. Copies of this report were distributed to all Board members prior to this meeting. There was discussion regarding if Alaimo had addressed the DEP’s comments regarding the permit renewal and the OM manual. Mr. McKelvie stated that a portion of Cell 11 is complete and that reports will be in to the DEP on December 9. He anticipated hearing from the DEP in approximately two weeks. He also advised that they were working on the grading design regarding wetlands mitigation.

Chairman Widdifield, without objection, ordered the engineer’s report be received and filed.

Since the Title V Engineer, Arie Kremen was present, Chairman Widdifield asked him for an update and he advised that they are “up to speed with the EPA”.
Resolution 2016-90 authorizing payment of Solid Waste Division bills was approved by (M) Williams (S) Bestwick to adopt the resolution to pay bills in the amount of $1,359,357.74 by regular check, $67,975.30 by electronic payment and $0 by manual check. The resolution was adopted by voice vote 5-0.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee (Susan Bestwick) – meetings were held and discussions included the status of Cell 11, the sublease of the Finlaw Building and the methane gas wells.

Personnel Committee (Lew Schneider) – no meeting was held.

Solid Waste Committee (Cordy Taylor) – Please see the Division Manager’s report.

Ad Hoc Committee (Paul Williams) – No meeting.

Chairman Widdifield, without objection, ordered the Committee reports be received and filed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Copies of this report were distributed to all members prior to this meeting. Discussion included a contribution toward the expense of the methane gas well system by the Salem County Pollution Control Authority, the Finlaw Building rent matter, the lease and insurance coverage, and a scheduled meeting regarding the solar panel project.

Chairman Widdifield, without objection, ordered the Executive Director’s report be received and filed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2016-91 Authorizing Wage and Salary Increases for Employees; (M) Bestwick (S) Schneider
The resolution was adopted by voice vote 5-0.

Resolution 2016-92 Authorizing Liquidation of a Certificate of Deposit and Transfer of Funds to the CRIM Account; (M) Taylor (S) Williams
The resolution was adopted by voice vote 5-0.

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Resolution 2016-93  Authorizing Consolidation of Closure/Post-Closure Accounts; (M) Taylor (S) Williams
The resolution was adopted by voice vote 5-0.

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Resolution 2016-94  Establishing Fair and Open Process for Awarding of Professional Contract for a Professional Engineer for Wetlands Mitigation; (M) Schneider (S) Taylor
The resolution was adopted by voice vote 5-0.

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Resolution 2016-95  Awarding Contract for the Methane Gas Well System; Resolution tabled per the advice of the Solicitor.
The resolution was tabled.

CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public made any comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution 2016-96  Authorizing Executive Session; (M) Taylor (S) Williams
The resolution was adopted by voice vote 5-0.
Began at 4:58 p.m. and ended at 5:45 p.m.

Chairman Widdifield asked for a motion to go back into public session, which motion was moved by Taylor and seconded by Williams.

Resolution 2016-96  Rejecting All Bids Received in Response to the Request for Bids to Provide Labor, Material and Equipment Necessary for Landfill Methane Gas System Improvements; (M) Taylor (S) Williams
The resolution was adopted by voice vote 5-0.

Solicitor Shoemaker outlined the rationale for rejecting the bids in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:11-13.2 (a), (b) and (d), which allows for rebidding where the lowest bid substantially exceeds the cost estimate, the lowest bid exceeds the Authority’s appropriation and where the Authority wants to substantially revise the bid specifications.
Chairman Widdifield asked if there was any other business for the Authority. Hearing none, Chairman Widdifield adjourned the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/ Florence E. Beckett

Florence E. Beckett, Recording Secretary