

SOLID WASTE / RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Meeting minutes for Dec. 10, 2013

Present: Jim Tessier, Joel Moulton, Bud Moynahan, and Don Weber
(Phil Lytle attending Budget Committee meeting)

- 1) Minutes for previous meeting – Minutes from 10/15/13 meeting approved
- 2) Pay-to-throw pilot
 - currently 3 months into 6 month pilot.
 - The volume of recycled material collected still appears to be staying level
 - The amount of MSW collected in first 3 months, Sep.- 30.38 tons, Oct.-25.68 tons, Nov.- 24.21 tons. The average for the first 3 months is 26.75 tons and prior to Pay-to-throw the average per month was approximately 68 tons/month, a 60% reduction. The savings in tipping and trucking fees for the 3 month period is approximately \$8,300.
 - Currently the bags are being sold at only 2 locations in town. The Eliot Meet Market is behind on their payments and is not currently selling bags.
 - A number of residents have stopped using the transfer station and are paying for commercial curbside pickup. Very difficult to estimate the number, maybe 100 – 150 households.
 - The town has not yet received any reports from Waste Zero – Joel will talk to Sarah Bernier.
 - Plan to meet with Selectmen in January to discuss first 3 months after we get reports from Waste Zero.
- 3) Eliot/Kittery - Representatives from Eliot (including Joel) and Kittery have been meeting to discuss if there are ways for the 2 towns to work together to reduce transfer station costs. Still too early to determine if significant reductions can be made.
- 4) Next meeting – decision made that no meeting necessary in January due to planned meeting with Selectmen. Next meeting scheduled for Feb. 18, 2014 at 6:30 pm at town garage.

Minutes reviewed and approved at 3/11/14 meeting.

Signed and submitted,



Jim Tessier