


SOLID WASTE / RECYCLING COMMITTEE
Meeting minutes for January 19, 2016

Present: Jim Tessier, Donald Webber, Joel Moulton, Connie Carignan, Phil Lytle, Bud Moynahan
Guest – Grant Hirst

- 1) Reviewed and approved minutes for meeting held on September 15, 2015
- 2) Transfer station, Pay-to-throw, Kitchen food waste collection program
 - A. Transfer Station
 - Half of the new retaining wall plan has been installed.
 - Trucking 2 containers of MSW (trash) per month to Portland. It appears that residents that stopped using the transfer station after start of Pay-to-throw are coming back
 - Have completed 2 quarterly household hazardous waste (HHW) days – going well – conducting them on Wednesday is cheaper
 - B. Kitchen food waste – Mr. Fox is picking up an average of 18 totes (96 gallons) per week. Assuming each tote weighs approximately 300 – 400 pounds, we are collecting about 164 tons per year of food waste, which would be about 1/3 of the town's combined MSW and food waste.
- 3) Possible discussion with MSAD#35
 - Joel has contacted the South Berwick Public Works Dir. (Jon St.Pierre). He also would be interested in participating in discussions.
 - Jim will call Randy Stewart (MSAD 35 Business Man.) to schedule a meeting.
- 4) Other possible 2016 SWRC projects
 - Earth Day (see #5)
 - Finish retaining wall project at Transfer Station
- 5) Earth Day 2016
 - Joel will contact York County Corrections Division and schedule a road side clean up the week of April 18th.
 - Jim will purchase a New Age Composter from New England Plastics to use as a demo for the compost bin sale.
 - Bud will contact the Fire Chief to see if we can use the fire station for educational session for residents on composting and a "trash on the lawn" demonstration showing how to improve recycling and reducing trash in the purple bags.
- 6) Other Business - none
- 7) Next meeting – Feb. 16, 2016 at 6:00 pm at town garage

Minutes reviewed and approved at 3/22/16 meeting.
Note: Meeting for Feb. 2016 was canceled

Submitted and signed,


Jim Tessier