SOLID WASTE / RECYCLING COMMITTEE Meeting minutes for March 22, 2016

Present: Jim Tessier, Donald Webber, Joel Moulton, Connie Carignan, Bud Moynahan

- 1) Reviewed and approved minutes for meeting held on January 19, 2016 (no meeting in February)
- 2) Transfer station, Pay-to-throw, Kitchen food waste collection program
 - A. Transfer Station
 - Mr. Fox delivered 15 yards of compost to the Transfer Station for use by Eliot residents.
 Joel has set a policy limiting each resident to two 5 gallon pails per visit.
- 3) Possible discussion with MSAD#35
 - On 3/8/2016, Jim and Joel met with Randy Stewart; MSAD 35 Business Manager, the MSAD 35 Facilities Managers, and Jon St. Pierre; South Berwick Public Works Dir. At this initial meeting we discussed programs currently in place at each school in the district. We also discussed the possibility of cooperation between the towns and school district.
- 4) Preparations for Earth Day 2016
 - Joel will contact York County Corrections Division and schedule a road side clean up the week of April 18th.
 - Jim purchased a New Age Composter from New England Plastics to use as a demo for the compost bin sale.
 - Bud contacted the Fire Chief OK to use the fire station for a public 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.
 - Jim will ask Town Clerk to add public information session to the town web site.
- 5) Partnering with South Berwick and other surrounding towns
 - While meeting with Jon St. Pierre to discuss working with MSAD 35, we recognized similarities in how both towns managed solid waste. We decided to wait until after "budget season" and then schedule meeting with both town managers to discuss further. This could potentially lead to further discussions with other surrounding towns.
- 6) Maine Paint Care Jim handed out a list of Southern Maine stores that are participating in the Maine Paint Care program.
- 7) Other Business
 - Jim met with Alex DeRosa at the Transfer Station to review the Eliot food waste collection program. She is a UNH student doing research on food waste collection programs on the Seacoast.
 - Reviewed Transfer Station pages of the Town Book for potential changes.
- 8) Next meeting <u>Note:</u> there will be no regular meeting scheduled for April. We will conduct the composting/recycling informational meeting for residents.

Minutes reviewed and approved at $\frac{5/17/16}{100}$ meeting.

Submitted and signed,

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