

SOLID WASTE / RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Meeting minutes for June 21, 2016

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

- 1) Reviewed and approved minutes for meeting held on May 17, 2016. Vote of 5 – 0.
- 2) Transfer station, Pay-to-throw, Kitchen food waste collection program – nothing to update
- 3) Transfer Station fees
 - The Committee reviewed the fees charged at the Transfer Station and compared with similar fees charged in Kittery and South Berwick. The fees have not increased in five years and in general are appropriate to cover the Town's cost for disposal.
 - There are two areas that the Committee recommends further review:
 - Small volumes of material added to the "demo can"
 - Disposal of electronic equipment.
- 4/5) Partnering with South Berwick, other surrounding towns and MSAD 35 (Update)
 - On 5/26/2016 the Chair and the Public Works Dir. met with the South Berwick Public Works Dir. and Town Managers from both towns to discuss the potential for mutual cooperation between the two towns and MSAD 35 dealing with solid waste issues.
 - The group also discussed initiating discussions with other surrounding towns to determine interest in cooperation between the towns when dealing with municipal solid waste.
 - Both Town Managers agreed to move forward with further discussions.
- 6) Roadside cleanup
 - As agreed at last meeting, the Chair contacted the Chair, Eliot Conservation Commission by email to discuss the potential for a joint roadside cleanup project, however, has received no response.
- 7) Possible Transfer Station cost cutting measures
 - The Chair presented a list of possible Transfer Station cost cutting measures to be discussed further at the next meeting.
- 8) Other Business
 - The Chair identified some changes required by the Charter and presented a template for by-laws, all to be discussed further at next meeting.
- 6) Next meeting – July 19, 2016 at Town Garage at 6:00 pm

Minutes reviewed and approved at 7/19/2016 meeting.

Signed and submitted,


Jim Tessier