

Minutes of June 9th, 2009

In Attendance: Becky Moul, Paul Ellis, Scott Carbee, Cathy Gombas and Sara Cox

Meeting opened at 7:00pm

Review of Minutes: Becky read the minutes to the group.

Scott motions to accept minutes of May 13th as read. Paul seconds, all in favor.

The budget was discussed. When voted at town meeting to take \$5000 off transfer station budget, the selectmen took it out of the salaries line. This is the wrong place as the transfer station hours are pretty set. It should come out of the hauls....like MSW. We need to make sure when the budget is done this year the \$5000 is put back in. Becky commented the Selectmen will look at the bottom line expenditures.

Chris Danforth was hand delivering the letter to the NHDES today according to an email Becky rec'd from him.

Becky reported she spoke with the Selectmen during a budget com meeting last week and Tom reported all of the extra hours are from burning. She reiterated to him if there was a note on the time sheet we wouldn't have to waste time finding these things out. It will also assist in creating a true budget. Most, but not all, of the burning is caused from the ice storm.

Paul brought up another incident at the transfer station where an attendant knew of large couch cushions in the compactor. Paul brought it to their attention and the attendant commented that "what difference does it make it costs the same as the C/D?" The difference is the C/D gets recycled. There is a large plastic barrel in the metal pile. Are the Selectmen monitoring the attendants? How many times should an employee be spoken to about the same infraction: putting C/D into the compactor. Is there a disciplinary policy in place? The Selectmen took on the responsibility of managing the Transfer Station when they decided to separate the highway dept and transfer station as a DPW group. We need the Selectmen's support in seeing things are recycled correctly especially by the attendants. Becky will call Sherry and get on the Selectmen's agenda and to inquire about an employee policy handbook. Is it adopted? Have the employees read and signed they read and understand it?

Microwaves now cost \$10. When the steel guy came and took 3 loads of metal he picked out 40 microwaves. Bonnie was contacted and she agreed, microwaves need to be separated out as e-waste.

Hazardous Waste Day is September 19th, 2009. The contract was signed and returned by the same vender we used last year. It will be 9am to noon or until our budget is met. The commission decided on no limit per household.

NRRA pays us \$70 per ton for the metal, \$25 per ton for paper and we pay \$45 for commingles. Things are definitely better.

Talkin' Trash ideas for articles: Microwaves, Hazardous Waste Day, how to get rid of latex paint (can goes into commingles), savings from recycling, watch for us in the parade, Town Award. This should be plenty.

Metal pile area clean up. Paul contacted the Stewarts to see if they could loan us a screen for a day. Lisa told him now is not a good time. The 3 screens are being used 6 days a week. Burrows may have some bad screen we could use. Becky will speak with Tom on spending some money to make our own screens. The commission will spend a day cleaning this area up. Paul will do the pricing on supplies needed to do this.

All of the paper had been cleaned up from behind and around the paper container and it looked great!!!!

Being part of the Labor Day parade and sporting the award is a great idea. We have plenty of kids to help (Cathy & Sara's contacts). Paul has volunteered his flatbed trailer. We need to find a tractor to pull it. We need to come back on the 11th with ideas and a volunteer tractor.

Next meeting is August 11th, 7pm at the Town Offices Meeting Room

Cathy motions to adjourn the meeting, Scott seconds, all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Moul