

Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee

Meeting Minutes October 21, 2010

PRESENT: Pat Bracken, Chairman, Ellen Cabral, Bob Nugent, Bob Golden

Also present: Mike Hastings of Bestway Disposal, Rich of Dorado Services, and Selectman Lindquist

OLD BUSINESS

The purpose of the meeting tonight was again to review the proposals received. Dorado Services asked to speak and stated that there seemed to be some confusion regarding the proposals especially with the tipping fee. He did not propose a tipping fee, whereas it stated in the proposal that the tipping would be to a town designated site. With the other companies bringing a lower tipping fee, it puts him at a disadvantage. There was some discussion about the meaning of the wording "collection and disposal". Chairman Bracken stated that there was a separate RFP for tipping that they could have bid on. Dorado Services responded that he did not have a facility to do so. He stated that he could go out now and try to get a price, and could probably do a lower one. It was agreed that this would be unfair, whereas he now has the prices from everyone else. The Committee agreed to review the spreadsheet with the results, but take the tipping cost out of all the proposers and look just at the cost of curbside pick up. The Committee also needed to discuss exactly what program they want to use. Some bid on automated single stream and some bid on single stream recycling, both automated and not.

Mr. Nugent believes that single stream recycling is the way to go and if we need to use our current bins, that would be okay, but the carts would be better. He also like the idea of the trash going to an incinerator rather than a landfill, as long as it is run correctly.

After some discussion it was agreed that the committee would like to move forward with single stream recycling, which means all recycling goes into one bin, as we do know, but in the truck it is all placed into one spot instead of separated into two (dual stream) compartments. Mr. Nugent said that as people recycle more, they could look into purchasing totes on their own, or look into the town to help.

It was agreed that the committee would seek advice from town council for clarification on the proposals. The proposals stated that they will be awarded by November 1, 2010. After getting clarification, the committee will meet on Wednesday the 27th at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting will be open to the public.

RFP- Transfer Station

The proposal for the Kent Farm Transfer Station came in from Bestway Disposal and Waste Management. Bestway is a lower haul cost (\$125/\$130/\$135) and a per ton fee (\$74/\$75/\$76) with no rental cost. They will bring it to Raymond, then it will go to Bethlehem or Berlin.

Waste Management is at \$180 a haul plus CPI on years 2 and 3, and \$75 per ton plus CPI on years 2 and 3 and a \$50 monthly rental fee. The committee will recommend that the contract be awarded to Bestway Disposal as the low bidder.

RFP-Curbside Bulk Disposal

Whereas this is new, it is not known how much it will be used. Bestway proposed a fee of \$15 per item, which could be collected by the town with an administrative fee added on, and then a sticker on the item to show it was paid. A list of those that purchased stickers would be given to Bestway and they would go around twice a month to pick up. There is also the cost for disposing of the item which is at \$74/\$75/\$76 a year per ton

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Waste Management gave a flat price of \$21,000 for the year to do a once a month pick up of bulk items curbside and a \$75 per ton tipping fee.

It was agreed that Bestway would be the lower bidder whereas they don't know what the usage will be.

Rich of Dorado stated that in doing the proposals they should not ask for breakdown by unit etc.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Golden made a MOTION to adjourn.

Mrs. Cabral SECONDS the motion.

VOTE: 4-0-0

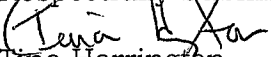
MOTION PASSES

The meeting ended at 9:07 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

October 21, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. (to review proposals)

Respectfully Submitted,


Tina Harrington,

Recording Secretary