

Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee

Meeting Minutes September 14, 2011

PRESENT: Pat Bracken, Chairman, Ellen Cabral, Bob Nugent, Bob Golden, and Chris Kowalski
Guests: Selectman Lindquist, Penny Williams (Tri Town News)

MINUTES

There was a motion to approve the minutes of August 10, 2011 with an amendment to add the potential cost of Recycle Bank.

Mr. Nugent made a MOTION to accept the minutes of August 10, 2011

Mr. Golden seconded the motion.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Motion Passes

NEW BUSINESS

Household Hazardous Waste- Mr. Golden attended the organizational meeting in Plaistow recently. They set the date for the fall collection to be October 29, 2011 in the Town of Chester located at 50 Dump Road from 9 am to 12 pm. There is no grant money for the fall collection so each town will be billed for their portion, based on how many from the community shows up. There are 6 towns involved and they will need a volunteer from each town.

Change in limits allowed curbside- Selectman Lindquist asked if the committee would consider changing the current limits for curbside trash. The current allowance for a single family home is 4 barrels or 8 bags. The committee talked about reducing it to 2-3 barrels and agreed that they would discuss it at a later meeting. Reducing the limit on the barrels will hopefully increase the recycling. It was suggested to check with Bestway and see if there are a lot of homes that use the 4 barrels. Ms. Williams will note in an article that it is being discussed. Hopefully that will bring back some early feedback from the residents.

OLD BUSINESS

RFP- Chairman Bracken explained to the members about his conversation with Town Counsel regarding the RFP's. The way they are written is not an issue, but offers more options for the town. There still seems to be some confusion for the bidders especially regarding the tipping. The tipping is to be at a site designated by the town, but it is currently out for proposal as well. The committee is scheduled to meet on September 21st with the prospective bidders to clarify their concerns. It was agreed to extend the due date of the RFP's to October 6th, 2011 and that it is expected they will be opened on October 10th.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Golden made a MOTION to adjourn.

Ms. Cabral SECONDS the motion.

VOTE: 5-0-0

MOTION PASSES

The meeting ended at 8:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

September 21, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.- meeting with bidders

October 12, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.- To review the RFP's

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Harrington,
Recording Secretary