

Recycling and Transfer Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes
November 27, 2012

Members Present: Bob Schroeder, Richard Bairam, Merrill Johnson, Sean McDonald

Absent: (excused) Bob Worrell, Jim Levesque, Ray Bonney

Turk called the meeting to order at 6:35. The Committee reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on October 23, 2012. Merrill motioned to accept the minutes as presented, second by Sean. All in favor.

The Committee received a copy of the monthly total list of material collected and transferred from the facility. The facility is still collecting 31% of recycling at the curb. Diane explained that she will not be distributing any additional barrels during the holidays. People are starting to call for additional barrels because of Thanksgiving. There have been several instances where a second set was delivered and the recycling barrels have not been out yet. Diane has pulled one set of barrels from a home that is listed as a 3 family, but have only been using 2 barrels. Another home stated that they had medical needs and since the second set of barrels has been delivered the recycling barrels have not been out. Diane will be pulling those barrels also.

There was a discussion on the budget. The proposed budget is up a little from last year basically because of rate increases for disposal, increase in price of fuel and an increase of salary for a "proposed employee" for an open position. Diane will email the proposed budget to the Committee.

Diane updated the Committee on the events before Thanksgiving. We had a truck down on a double collection day and the baler broke. By Friday morning at 10:00 a part was delivered UPS next day and Richard had the truck up and running and the baler fixed. She was grateful for all of the hard work and the double collection day went well. All of the men did a fantastic job!

The loader purchase bid was OK'd by Council in October. The Department has ordered a 924K Caterpillar. They have not gotten back with a delivery date for it. Caterpillar originally quoted \$160,000 when we were working on the budget process last year. The total cost with upgrade to the cab and warrantee is \$124,000. This is a considerable savings.

Diane is trying to think of some different projects we could do for Earth Day this year. Any suggestions would be helpful!

The Committee will not be having a meeting in December.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00.