

**Lee Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**April 1, 2019, 6:30pm**  
**Lee Public Safety Complex**

**Members present:** Amy Schmidt (chair), Dean Rubine, Randy Stevens

**Officials Present:** Toby Van Aken, Transfer Station Manager, Cary Brown, Selectman

**Members absent:** Arthur Bradbury

**Officials Absent:** Toby Van Aken, Transfer Station Manager

**Public present:** N/A

**O. Lee Transfer Station History Blurbs**

2009-10 SWC Report

\*This past summer we acquired a used baler from the City of Franklin. This purchase was made instead of replacing our oldest Bobcat. Having the additional baler means we are no longer susceptible to the failure of our oldest baler and potentially halting our operations.

\*We are now stockpiling brush instead of burning it. A company then comes in with a machine to “tumble grind” it. It does cost us to dispose of the material, but it gets recycled as a fuel, with no pollution and presents less of a fire risk.

**I. Call to order - 6:44 pm**

**II. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of 3/18/2019, Amy moved, Dean 2<sup>nd</sup> approved 3-0 unamended

**III. PowerPoint Presentation**

**Lee Recycling and Transfer Station Performance, historical (Randy)**

Randy gave an excellent presentation reviewing the performance of the transfer station from 1995 to present. Unfortunately the records are missing for some years. We’ll include the entire presentation here for the approved minutes.

Plan to post presentation on website, with Randy pulling out a slide and writing and E Crier article about it.

[Amended: This presentation is available at the committee’s web page  
[http://leenh.org/Pages/LeeNH\\_Bcomm/SWAC/Index](http://leenh.org/Pages/LeeNH_Bcomm/SWAC/Index)]

**IV. PowerPoint Presentation**

**Pay As You Throw (Randy)**

Another excellent presentation, we will include the entirety in approved minutes.

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## **V. Brush Pile (Toby)**

N/A.

## **VI. Mr. Fox Composting Pilot Program**

Proposal to selectman next Monday

Open enrollment to everyone to gauge true demand

Limit to 6 months, 200 people

To avoid money collection hassles, transfer station gives supply of 3 gallon biodegradable bags to participants

We expect at most 1 bag x 200 people x 25 weeks = 5000 bags @ \$50/600=\$417

100 bags per tote, 50 totes, \$14 per tote, \$700 maximum to Mr. Fox.

Saves 50x200 to 50x400 pounds of MSW at \$80/ton

We will weigh totes before pickup

Buy two totes, \$80/per

Try not to have partially filled totes picked up

Answer questions about how many Lee residents interested in municipal composting

What volume might we expect in such a program?

Is the program cost effective now? What about when NHDES lets us compost on site?

Are there other problems, e.g. odor?

Amy will prepare presentation for review Wednesday; send to select board Thursday for Monday meeting. SWC members encourage attending select board meeting Monday 4/8 for Amy's presentation.

## **VII. Signage and Website Doc**

Next meeting.

## **VIII. Next Meeting date and topics for Agenda.**

Monday April 15, 2019, 6:30 pm, Safety complex

### **Agenda:**

Mr. Fox compost pilot planning

Website doc

Signage

Brush pile

## **IX. Adjournment - 8:15 pm**