

**Present:** Members: Paul DiCicco, Joe Coggans, Bob Spain, Paul Lawson, DPW Director-Robert D. McNeil, III

**Absent:** Brian Stowell, Armand White, Joel Carlson

Mr. DiCicco called the meeting to order and explained why he called the meeting:

- 1) To go over the recommendations and see if anything was done;
- 2) To see if they are going to disband.

Mr. McNeil addressed the recommendations:

- 1) Swap pantry is not feasible unless there is space and indoors; the big challenge with our transfer station is space; if it is a re-use situation it would alleviate some tonnage; we don't have the room on our site for a swap-shop;
- 2) Looking to put in compactors for single stream recycling; we do get paid for steal but other recycling we do not right now. We are negotiating a contract with Casella now to being paying us for recycling; we will still continue to pay for hauling out of there and compactors will mean less pulls; looking to make the place as self-sufficient as possible.

Mr. DiCicco explained that the committee did not want to raise sticker fees.

- 3) Had the Selectmen adopt the Transfer Station rules and regulations; make recycling mandatory. New rules are given to each person who purchases a sticker; email updates;
- 4) Planning on doing the tire collection once a year;
- 5) Incremental fees; pay as you through bags should be considered. It is a way to increase recycling and lower tonnage;

Mr. DiCicco said that putting Wheelabrator in 24 years ago; we should not be charging the towns people anything.

Mr. McNeil said that recycling is still the biggest problem; in July we went on a tear enforcing recycling. Opening bags and educating people on recycling. It is getting on the staff and having the staff enforce the rules. There was a 27% drop in tonnage in July and down in August because of recycling enforcement.

- 6) Traffic flow will be adjusted when we get compactors; there is no space.

Mr. DiCicco asked if we can incorporate recycling education in next DPW week.

Mr. DiCicco and Mr. Coggans is against pay as you throw bags; it is taxing the people. Mr. Spain and Mr. Lawson are on the fence. Mr. DiCicco suggested giving 2 free bags a week; then charging \$3.00/bag after that. He would like to give a little more effort to education. Mr. Spain suggested the committee commit to educating for the next six months.

We need to keep our tonnage down so that we don't have to pay Wheelabrator.

Mr. DiCicco asked if we should disband the committee.

Motion by Mr. Coggans to keep committee together another year, seconded by Mr. Lawson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to keep Chair and Vice Chair the same made by Mr. Spain, seconded by Mr. Lawson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ask Joel Carlson if he still wants to be on the committee.

Next meeting will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in January, 2013.

Motion to adjourn at 5:35 pm made by Mr. Spain, seconded by Mr. Coggans.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tish Hayes, secretary

ATTEST:

