

NEW DURHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Minutes of Work Session at Town Hall
Thursday, September 9, 2010

Members Present: Theresa Jarvis, David Bickford, Fred March

Others Present: Mike Hasting, BestWay Disposal Services; Alison Rendinaro, Administrative Consultant; Mark Fuller, Road Agent; Joe Bloskey, Transfer Station Manager; Mary McHale, Videographer

Meeting began at 7:00PM with Mike Hastings from Bestway Disposal Services presenting to the Board. He gave an overview of what Bestway Disposal Services does, how and where they operate, and what they can provide to the town. They are, for all intensive purposes, a trucking company. They provide pick-up services from Transfer Stations for single-stream or co-mingled, as well as curb-side pick-up. Mr. Hastings said that currently, there is no return on single-stream, and last year, they saw a disposal fee of \$50 per ton. He explained that even in good markets there is a charge for co-mingled. They are involved in 13 communities, 2 of which are single-stream. Some of the communities they work with use a pay-per-bag system, which he says brings in much more recycling.

Bestway does not use tractor trailers, but they do use the roll offs that the Town has. The Board thanked Mr. Hasting for providing so much information to them. He left at 7:37PM.

The Board then moved onto pre-employment physicals. It was decided that they would be proposed for all departments, not just those that were originally mentioned. Chair Jarvis estimates that there will be a need to budget for 9 to 11 physicals for 2011.

There may be major budget implications depending on what type of physicals are required. AC Rendinaro provided pricing to the Board for some physicals in the area, the cheapest baseline physical running around \$68.

The Board is also looking into the Hepatitis-B series, which is required under a federal law for employees in high risk positions. It had been done in the past, with volunteers from the Fire Department, but has not been in practice since about 2005. AC Rendinaro will get a count of how many employees might need the vaccination in order to budget for it properly.

The Board then reviewed samples of budget narrative formats from some of the Departments. They decided they liked the format submitted by the Highway department, but would like to see more description for those budget lines that have increased or decreased.

The conversation briefly moved to stolen signs, and whether they would be covered by insurance.

A memo will be sent out to all departments regarding the budget layout, and dates that the budget will be due.

The Road Agent will be opening bids for MSW and Sand on October 1st at 10AM at Town Hall. Highway and Transfer Station should be dealt with by the BOS and Budget Committee on the same night.

Discussion over recycling ensued.

The Video Policy was discussed. There are several questions remaining regarding the Town's Franchise agreement with Metrocast, and Wolfeboro TV. AC Rendinaro will look into these questions, and the Board will revisit.

A discussion then ensued re: the Alcohol Ordinance, which the Board will add to it's to do list, as there may be more research needed to make the ordinance accurate.

Motion to adjourn at 9:30PM March/Bickford 3-0

*Respectfully Submitted,
Alison Rendinaro, Administrative Consultant*