

Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee
Meeting Minutes
November 4, 2015
No meeting on November 11, 2015

PRESENT: Pat Bracken; Chairman, Ellen Cabral, Bob Nugent and Chris Kowalski

Guests: Penny Williams, (Tri Town News)

MINUTES

The minutes from October 14, 2015 were approved by voice vote.

Old Business

HHW Collection

It was reported that there were 381 cars representing 439 households that passed through on the Household Hazardous Waste Collection day. Results by town are

Atkinson 68 cars/82 households = 18%
Chester 40 cars/50 households = 11%
Danville 33 cars/35 households = 8%
Kingston 35 car/41 households = 9%
Plaistow 41 cars/50 households = 11%
Hampstead 164 cars/181 households = 41%

C. Kowalski congratulated E. Cabral on a good job that the set up worked great and the pace was good. The only issue was with Casella and the dumpster. Mr. Bracken has since spoken with Casella regarding the issue of the dumpster not being delivered and was told that no work order had been put in. When Mr. Bracken spoke to them again on the following Monday, there was a work order in place but just an error on their end. Mr. Bracken also brought up the issue with the last bulk disposal day at the Kent Farm Station where a roll off didn't show up there as well. He was told by Mr. Augusta that there are new systems in place to prevent it from happening again. The cost of the dumpster and the liner provided is \$190.00. He agreed that we wouldn't be billed for the \$190. They were also told that there was a leak from the container because they didn't pick it up on Saturday as requested and it sat in the parking lot until Monday morning. The highway department was able to get the leak cleaned up before school was open.

2016 Budget

Mr. Bracken presented a revised budget for the 2016 budget. The committee reviewed each of the lines. The Kent Farm salaries were increased to \$6,916.00. The overall budget is at \$637,537.70, which is a .35% increase.

Ms. Cabral asked the members if they had considered any other options down the road regarding curbside trash/recycling. She noted that currently the cost for curbside trash/recycling and tipping is \$584,000. At the rate the costs are increasing it might be feasible to look into what the options would be such as doing our own collection or taking trash at an in town collection site such as Kent Farm Transfer station. It was agreed that a feasibility study could be done looking at other towns and what they currently have along with parcels of land in town that would be large enough. Rules and regulations would also need to be looked at. There was a suggestion to put in a non-binding warrant article to see what if the residents would be interested. It would be good to do a 20 year projection. The committee discussed the issues with being responsible for the collected recycling. The Town of Hampstead has always stayed away from being responsible where the market has to be watched etc. There would need to be room for items that would need to be held until market prices change. It was discussed that the committee should talk with Derry to see how much room they are using and how their facility is doing. Along with that they would like to know the % of the population that uses the transfer station or that has curbside collection. Ms. Cabral said that she can do a spreadsheet and will start with Windham.

New Business

NRRA- Ms. Cabral informed the committee that she has taken a part time job with NRRA working on projects for about 8 hours a week.

Motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm was made by Mr. Kowalski and seconded by Mr. Nugent and passed 4-0.

NEXT MEETING

December 9, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Harrington,
Recording Secretary