

Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2021 (rescheduled from 2/10/21)

PRESENT; P. Wentworth, E. Cabral, R. Davis, C. Cipriano and C. Kowalski

Guests: None

Meeting started at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES

P. Wentworth made the motion to approve the minutes January 13, 2021. The motion was seconded by C. Kowalski. The motion passed 3-0-0.

New Business

Rehrig- Order of new trash carts and recycling carts.

The was an order for 112 trash and 112 recycling carts that totaled \$12,124.00.

A motion was made by P. Wentworth to purchase the 112 trash carts and 112 recycling carts for a total cost of \$12,124.00. The motion was seconded by C. Kowalski. The motion passed 5-0.

Old Business

Household Hazardous Waste

The Town of Chester just found out that they are the host for the fall 2021 HHW collection. It was not known if Plaistow would be hosting the Spring collection. E. Cabral will reach out to D. Garlington to see what is up. She noted that she wanted to have a meeting with the other communities to discuss the most cost-effective way to hold these collections. She also gave a brief update of the recent email from G. Wilkinson at Tradebe.

Transfer Station Shed

It was reported that the foundation for the shed was put down today. The shed is expected to be delivered around March 13th. There are still some things that need to get done once it is in place such as heater/air conditioner. This would require some electrical work to be done and possibly a cover on the outside of the heating/ac unit. Down the road there will be a need to maybe insulate it. There was discussion regarding painting the swap shop container. The shed will be white siding with a gray roof. It was agreed that a darker color for the container would be better.

T. Harrington needs to check with the insurance company to determine any liability for using volunteers at the Swap Shop.

There was discussion about honoring Bob Nugent by potentially naming the swap shop after him.

2020 Tonnage

E. Cabral reviewed the statistics for the last three years. There was an increase of 7% in the trash and 12% increase in recycling. It was good that the recycling has increased more than the trash. T. Harrington noted that when the trash/recycling carts were delivered there were about 75 left of each. At this point there is about 10-12 of each left. The number of new homes and along with ADU (formally known as In-Law apartments) accounts for a good portion of the increases. There was a small discussion about upcoming new construction that is coming before the Planning Board that will impact the budget for trash and recycling. T. Harrington also noted that the new development called Winchester Heights may present a small issue. They are being marketed as condominiums and trash is collected at condominiums. The policy is that we collect trash and recycling at units of four or less. There is one unit in that complex that has five units. The question about collection may need to go to the Selectmen to authorize.

Motion to adjourn at 8:04 pm was made by E. Cabral and seconded by C. Kowalski and passed 5-0.

Upcoming Events

None

NEXT MEETING

March 10, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Harrington, Secretary