

**Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**May 13, 2020**

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

**Guests:** Selectman Guthrie

**MINUTES**

*P. Wentworth made the motion to approve the minutes of March 12, 2020. The motion was seconded by C. Cipriano. The motion passed 5-0-0.*

For the record there was no meeting in April 2020, due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

**OLD BUSINESS**

***Swap Shop***

E. Cabral stated that the signs for the Swap Shop have been ordered and the draft was approved. She is now just waiting for them to be ready. They are being printed by the NH Correctional Institute at a cost of \$246.00. Once the signs are ready, they will need to be picked up.

P. Wentworth was asked that status on the ground work was going. He stated that the trailer can be used as is, but that no further work has been done. He also noted his frustration with communication because at the May Bulk Day, there was furniture available to put into the Swap Shop and he was told it couldn't be taken and it was put into the packer. T. Harrington apologized for the communication issue but stated the recommendation from the NRRA was to not handle any items and for items to not be put aside. With the unknowns surrounding the Covid-19 pandemic, it was felt that it was safer to proceed this way for the first 2020 opening of the facility. That doesn't mean June needs to go the same way. The second concern was that it was expected to be extremely busy that day and just wanted to move things along.

***Household Hazardous Waste***

T. Harrington noted that the RFP for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection had gone out and to date there had been questions from one vendor. E. Cabral noted that we weren't able to change the collection date due to one of the participating towns had sent out a flyer to their residents with the October 24th date. Due to the uncertainty about companies bidding on the RFP, T. Harrington reached out to Veolia, the company that has provided the services to our group. They do have the date available and have been asked to pencil it. T. Harrington reported that she explained the situation to the representative and he noted that they had an unwritten agreement to provide the services. There was no spring collection so it is not known what the impact will be in October.

***Compost Bin Raffle***

E. Cabral stated that she hadn't set up the raffle on the Facebook page, but will advertise that the compost bins are available and how to set up your own compost pile.

The Committee reviewed the reports for March and April and see that there are some increases, but they also match increases in the same time frame in prior years. T. Harrington did report that cardboard is up and more people are dropping it off at the Town Garage. Contact has been with Pinard to empty the recycling container every other week. Doing it once a month isn't working with everyone shopping from home. It had been stated that as soon as it gets emptied, it gets filled up. It is possible that we could recoup the cost through some of the grants that have been made available whereas this is a direct result of the Stay at home order.

Member Updates:

Brush Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.

R. Davis asked if the issue with Scott Drive had been resolved. She was told that it was and there should be no further issues there.

C. Kowalski stated that he has noticed that more trash carts are fuller. As you drive by you can see more of the carts left open because they are above the closure point.

Motion to adjourn at 8:24 pm was made C. Kowalski and seconded by R. Davis and passed 5-0-0.

NEXT MEETING

June 10, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Harrington