

Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2022

PRESENT; E. Cabral, R. Davis, P. Wentworth, C. Cipriano and C. Kowalski
Meeting started at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES

Minutes from February 9, 2022 were read and approved with a motion by P. Wentworth and a second by R. Davis

The motion passed 5-0.

Old Business

Extra Bag Program- It is ready to go. The stickers are ready, the bags are in and there just needs be ties purchased. The cost per bag will be \$7.00 and the bag will go on top of the trash cart (gray one) with the lid open. It will be the only item allowed on top and if it doesn't have the orange bag with the green sticker, there will be no pick up and this needs to be emphasized to Pinard and the residents. It was noted by some of the members that they are seeing more and more trash carts with the lids open and don't believe they are being given stickers. They feel that this is going to be an issue and it needs to be addressed.

2022 Flyer- Pinard has updated the flyer that went out when we first went to the automated system. They will be putting the flyer up on their website, but Hampstead can use as well. There were a couple of changes requested for the flyer, including to add the fee where it speaks about a small fee and the other to put in bold where coupons for the transfer station can be purchased.

After some discussion it was decided to not print a flyer this year. We can take the one they have and see if they can send it to us in an editable format.

E. Cabral would like to take the street listing off and to emphasize the Swap Shop and the bag program along with no bags allowed at transfer station. This could go onto the website and be available in the town office.

Clean Up Hampstead Day- This is set for Saturday, May 7th. It will get advertised, but the residents can actually do it whenever they want and notify the town of where the bags are located to be picked up. Bags will be available at the Town office during normal business hours, and on May 7th at the Town Office front steps from 9 am to 11 am. There was discussion about having the blue bags available at the transfer station, but felt this was the wrong message, and instead will be available at the Swap Shop on April 16th.

New Business

Transfer Station and Vehicle Sticker Use - T. Harrington reported that there was a question asked of the Town Clerk's office as to where the policy is written that a vehicle getting the transfer station permit must be registered in Hampstead. There was a resident that uses a work truck and wanted to purchase a sticker. The resident has a vehicle registered in town, but doesn't use it for the transfer station. The office wasn't able to find the policy so the resident will be told that this year, it will be allowed. If a policy isn't located, then it would be prudent to put some of the regulations in a policy to be approved by the Selectmen to have going forward.

Mattresses - There was some discussion regarding mattresses. It was noted that there are three components to a mattress if they are broken down and when done so, there are parts that are recyclable. We currently charge \$40 per mattress regardless of size at the transfer station. There is the option of having a mattress picked up curbside at \$26 per mattress. There was the option of bringing them to Derry for a \$5 fee, but they recently stopped that process because they were being

shipped to Massachusetts and they are no longer allowing mattresses to be taken to the incinerator in Massachusetts. It was also noted that the flyer should just talk to mattresses, all sizes and the costs.

Composting - R. Davis had done some research on composting services and classes but hadn't been able to find any. She is hoping that when she attends the NRRA conference in May that there will be some information there. C. Kowalski will also be attending the NRRA conference on Monday and Reinhild will be on Tuesday. C. Kowalski also gave a brief update on the NRRA MOM meeting (Members only meeting).

Compost Bins - T. Harrington reported that we are down to one compost bin and the sale is still going on if the committee wanted to purchase more. They need to be purchased by the pallet (quantity of 20) at \$68 each for a total of \$1,360.00. This includes the shipping charge.

A motion was made by R. Davis to purchase a pallet of compost bins. The motion was seconded by P. Wentworth.

The motion passed 5-0.

Signs for transfer station - E. Cabral asked to see what we have for points at the NH the Beautiful to be able to purchase a sign that states NO BAGGED TRASH. It was thought that this may be a custom sign. T. Harrington reported that on opening day, S. Harms reminded people as they came in that plastic bags are not accepted.

P. Wentworth noted his concern that one employee at the transfer station could be earning overtime (based on that they are a full-time employee) and was making a lot more than the other employees working at the transfer station.

Shed Update- All the supplies are there to complete the shed, now it is a case of finding someone to do the work.

Painting trailer- E. Cabral reported that she was able to reach someone that may be interested in quoting for a paint job on the trailer and they should be meeting with her on Saturday when the Swap Shop is open.

Town Wide Clean Up – it is scheduled for Saturday, May 7th. E. Cabral will be at the town offices from 9 am to 11 am to hand out blue bags for those interested. The clean up day can actually happen anytime.

E. Cabral will see if the person that helped with the swap shop last year is interested again this year.

Motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm was made by P. Wentworth and seconded by C. Kowalski.

The motion passed 5-0.

Upcoming Events

Curbside Bulk pick up April 16th

Clean Up Hampstead- May 7th

NEXT MEETING

May 11, 2022

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Harrington, Secretary