

Souhegan Regional Landfill District

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SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL DISTRICT

May 9, 2024

Bruce Bowler, Chairman, called the Meeting of the Souhegan Regional Landfill District to order in the Brookline DPW meeting room at 5:04pm. Members attending were Joan Cudworth, Guy Wadsworth, Jack Esposito, & Eric Slosek. Also attending were Scott Leard, Dennis Slocomb, & Debra Quinlan.

CITIZENS FORUM – N/A

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 8, 2024 – There were not enough voting members in attendance. Tabled until the next meeting.

MINUTES OF APRIL 11, 2024 – Joanie made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Guy seconded, and all others voted in favor.

UPDATE BY TOWN

AMHERST – Eric mentioned a problem with a switch and Dennis responded that he had fixed it.

BROOKLINE – Scott mentioned that there are a couple of broken slats on the mixed paper box. He also asked about possibly recycling colored plastic. Dennis will give him contact info for someone that can give him some guidance.

HOLLIS – Joanie said that the newspaper box will soon be emptied and moved to Mont Vernon. They will then start using the gaylords. She also reported that all the town offices will be making an effort to recycle white paper.

MONT VERNON – Jack asked what type of plastic Mont Vernon should recycle. Joanie & Eric thought that Ben had planned on mixed plastic. Joanie suggested milk jugs. It was suggested that a sorting table would make plastic recycling more successful.

RECYCLING UPDATE - Dennis provided the following prices for May:

	<u>Office Paper</u>	<u>Northeast Packaging</u>
Cardboard	\$110/ton	\$110/ton
Mixed Paper	\$25/ton	\$30/ton
Newspaper	\$205/ton	

Dennis mentioned that he thinks aluminum is now paying \$0.58/lb

SLOCOMB REPORT/ EQUIPMENT UPDATE

BROOKLINE – Dennis reported that the middle trailer shoes were cracked.

HOLLIS – Dennis reported that the front trailer shoes were cracked.

AMHERST – Dennis had Maguire create new keys for all the equipment.

OPERATIONS REVIEW – Deb provided the following trash figures for April:

	<u>Tons</u>	<u>Trips</u>	<u>Ave Tons/Trip</u>
Amherst	196.97	10	19.70
Brookline	125.42	10	12.54
Hollis	194.49	12	16.21
Mont Vernon	58.93	5	11.79

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PAYABLES - All members reviewed the current invoices. Joanie made a motion to approve payment of those invoices and Guy seconded. All voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

SPARE MOTORS – Dennis will make some calls to get prices.

MONT VERNON COMPACTOR – Deb repeated the quote from Maguire that Dennis had presented at the previous meeting of \$44,490 for a compactor (\$14,239), a phase converter (\$3,880), 2 40-yard boxes (\$23,496), and freight (\$2,875).

Joanie made a motion to purchase the new compactor, phase converter, and two boxes (one for Mont Vernon & one for Amherst) for a cost not to exceed \$48,000. Guy seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

Joanie made a motion to purchase three new recycling boxes for Mont Vernon for a cost not to exceed \$50,000. Eric seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

NREL STUDY – Eric summarized the study results and mentioned that the SRLD is eligible for this grant every year so the focus could be on a different member town each year.

STRATEGIC PLAN – Eric suggested hiring an engineering firm or other consultant to develop a long-term plan for replacing equipment. He will try to get a price.

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BOXES – Joanie made a motion to sell the boxes that are being replaced plus the old box in Amherst as scrap. Guy seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

OLD TRASH TRAILERS – Eric suggested opening an account with Municibid in order to auction off the old trailers. All agreed that this was a good idea.

Eric made a motion to authorize Deb to create a Municibid account and post the two spare trash trailers currently in Amherst and on DC Slocomb's property for auction on that site. Guy seconded and all voted in favor.

SOURCEWELL – It was pointed out that the SRLD may be able to get a discount on equipment by using a Sourcewell account. Deb will create an account.

EQUIPMENT POWERWASHING – Joanie will contact Eco-Pro about having the SRLD equipment cleaned.

OILING EQUIPMENT – Bruce mentioned that Amherst had had some new equipment oiled and suggested that the SRLD do the same with its equipment. He will get a quote for the equipment in Amherst.

PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT – Eric mentioned that Scott had asked about contracting with someone to perform annual equipment maintenance such as sandblasting, washing, & painting.

RUST PREVENTION – Eric suggested hiring an engineer to inspect the SRLD equipment and recommend methods for preventing rust. He will try to get a rough estimate for that service.

LANDFILL HOSES & BULKHEAD - Bruce reported that leachate can't be pumped until two faulty hoses are replaced and the front section of the bulkhead is re-built. He presented an estimate from J L Sickler Construction to do that work for \$6,145.

Eric made a motion to authorize J L Sickler Construction to do the work specified in the quote for a cost not to exceed \$6,145. Joanie seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.

PAINING – Eric mentioned that packers 2 & 3 have not been painted. Dennis will try to get a price for that work.

NEXT MEETING – The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on June 13th at 5:00pm at the Amherst fire station.

Joanie made a motion to adjourn, and Guy seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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