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### APPROVED

# SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL DISTRICT

#### March 4, 2021

Bruce Bowler, Chairman, called the Meeting of the Souhegan Regional Landfill District to order at 6:31 P.M. Because of Covid 19 restrictions, the meeting was held via Zoom. Members attending were Eddie Arnold, Joan Cudworth, Dan Veilleux, Frank Powers, Jack Esposito, & Eric Hahn. Also attending were Megan Murray, John Lewicke, Dennis Slocomb & Debra Quinlan.

#### **CITIZENS FORUM** – N/A

**MEGAN MURRAY** – Megan mentioned three bills in progress that would be of interest to the SRLD: House bill 413 addresses composting, 146FN addresses waste and diversion goals, and 500 addresses food waste. Joanie suggested that composting education should start in schools. Eddie said that he thinks the state should start working on uses for recycled glass. Megan mentioned that the DOT was looking into starting a pilot program but that was sidelined by Covid 19. Eric said that he thinks that the DOT needs to give crushed glass a specification number. This would make it clear that it is an acceptable material and would make it possible to include it in material lists when requesting proposals for projects. John suggested that legislation may not be necessary, it may be just a matter of working with the DOT and DES. The state representatives will get together and compose a letter.

**MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 4, 2021** –Eddie made a motion to accept the minutes and Frank seconded. Roll call vote: Bruce: yes, Dan: yes, Eddie: yes, Eric: yes, Frank: yes, Jack: yes, Joanie: yes.

#### **UPDATE BY TOWN**

<u>AMHERST</u> –Eric reported that all is fine.

BROOKLINE – Eddie said that everything is okay.

<u>HOLLIS</u> –Frank reported that he & Joanie had created a recycling flyer for Hollis and are working on ways to distribute it. He said that other members are welcome to use it as a template for their towns. Joanie mentioned that she will have a table at the town meeting with recycling props & the flyers.

MONT VERNON - Jack said that all is fine.

### **RECYCLING UPDATE**

Dennis mentioned that he took a load of soda bottles to Office Paper at no cost. He said that the prices for milk jugs and colored plastics are still strong and that the price of mixed paper had gone up considerably.

### **SLOCOMB REPORT/ EQUIPMENT UPDATE**

<u>NEW TRAILER</u> – Dennis reported that he does not have an ETA yet but that the vendor had called him with some questions so he knows they are working on it.

<u>WHEELABRATOR</u> – Dennis mentioned that Wheelabrator has recently bought a lot of their competitors and that he's seeing contracts increase \$5-\$20 per ton. He suggested that the SRLD

start to negotiate a new contract soon. The current contract will expire at the end of 2022.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

<u>HOLLIS CAN CONTAINER SAFETY MEASURES</u> – Dennis reported that he has some ideas but nothing ready to present yet.

<u>USED COMPACTOR</u> – Dennis mentioned that he took some measurements and determined that the compactor will fit but is concerned that it will not be powerful enough. He is looking for a larger one. He also asked Eric's opinion of the vendor that sandblasted Amherst's equipment because he is considering more cost effective options.

<u>MISSION STATEMENT</u> – Joanie read what she had written so far. Eric has some things to add but hasn't had a chance to work on it.

# **NEW BUSINESS** – N/A

**NEXT MEETING** – The next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 1st at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Joanie made a motion to adjourn & Frank seconded. Roll call vote: Bruce: yes, Dan: yes, Eddie: yes, Eric: yes, Frank: yes, Jack: yes, Joanie: yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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