

## Souhegan Regional Landfill District

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APPROVED

### SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL DISTRICT

February 2, 2023

Bruce Bowler, Chairman, called the Meeting of the Souhegan Regional Landfill District to order in the Hollis DPW Meeting Room at 6:01pm. Members attending were Dan Veilleux, Eddie Arnold, Eric Slosek, Joan Cudworth, Jack Esposito, & Guy Wadsworth. Also attending were Paul Karpowich, Mike Wenrich, Dennis Slocumb, & Debra Quinlan.

**CITIZENS FORUM** – Paul Karpowich spoke about the importance of programs to divert food waste. He thanked members for their efforts and reported that programs are now in place or will be starting soon at some local schools. Dan mentioned that a program will probably start at Souhegan High School in the fall.

**MINUTES OF JANUARY 5, 2023** –Joanie made a motion to accept the minutes as written and Jack seconded. Eric abstained and all others voted in favor.

#### UPDATE BY TOWN

AMHERST –Eric reported that he has received a couple of quotes for the electrical panel.

BROOKLINE – Mike reported a recent issue with the front trailer but said that everything has otherwise been running fine.

HOLLIS –Joanie reported that the Hollis composting challenge will take place the week of 4/15. She also mentioned that the selectboard has asked her to get three quotes for residential trash pickup.

MONT VERNON – Jack said that all is fine.

**RECYCLING UPDATE** - Dennis reported the following prices for January:

#### Office Paper Recovery

Mixed Paper	(\$40)/ton
Cardboard	\$0/ton
Newspaper	\$185/ton

#### SLOCOMB REPORT/ EQUIPMENT UPDATE

BROOKLINE TRAILER – Dennis reported that the relief valve in the front trailer failed. He replaced it and everything is running fine. He disassembled the bad valve and found pieces of an o-ring. Spectec will send a new cylinder when they have one.

COMPACTOR – Dennis mentioned that he is refurbishing a single-phase compactor that he thinks would be good for Mont Vernon or Brookline.

**OPERATIONS REVIEW** - Deb reported the following totals for 2022:

	<u>Tons</u>	<u>Trips</u>	<u>Ave Weight/Trip</u>
Amherst	2,494.01	122	20.44
Brookline	1,486.47	107	13.89
Hollis	2,552.05	156	16.36
Mont Vernon	799.28	83	9.63

**DAN'S STATE OF THE STATE** – Dan said that the legislature is trying to give DES \$2,000,000 for food waste diversion.

## **PAYABLES**

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

## **OLD BUSINESS**

AMHERST STORMWATER ISSUE – Eric mentioned that he hasn't received the test results yet.

FIXED ASSET DATA SHEETS – Eric and Dan will work on these.

COMPACTOR – Nothing new to report.

BOOMS – Deb purchased the booms, and they were delivered to Dennis. Dennis will deliver them to the member towns.

APPORTIONMENT CALCULATION – Nothing to report yet.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

BROOKLINE RADIATION – Mike reported that their trailer was rejected by Fitchburg because radiation was detected. Brookline's emergency management director confirmed with their Geiger counter. The state was called and determined that the problem was a water filter. Trace amounts of uranium had become concentrated in the filter. Mike asked that the state provide a list of common household items that might be radioactive. He will pass that list along once he receives it. Bruce provided information on radiation meters but it was decided that this sort of issue is too rare to warrant the purchase of meters.

WAIT TIMES – Bruce reported that wait times at the incinerator have improved dramatically. He has been communicating with Jerry at Wheelabrator and will let Jerry know if wait times become an issue again.

BROOKLINE TRAILER – Dennis mentioned that it will be very expensive to refurbish the trailer and suggested looking into aluminum trailers.

**NEXT MEETING** – The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 2nd at 6:00pm in Brookline.

Joanie made a motion to adjourn & Dan seconded. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:56pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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