

Souhegan Regional Landfill District

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SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL DISTRICT

August 8, 2019

Bruce Bowler, Chairman, called the Meeting of the Souhegan Regional Landfill District to order in the Conference Room of the Amherst DPW at 7:00 P.M. Members attending were Jerry Farwell, Steve Morgan, Eddie Arnold, Eric Hahn, Joan Cudworth, Todd Croteau, & Jack Esposito. Also attending were Mike Wenrich, Dan Veilleux, Dennis Slocumb, & Debra Quinlan.

CITIZENS FORUM – N/A

MINUTES OF JUNE 6, 2019 – Jack made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Jerry seconded, Joan and Todd abstained, and all others voted in favor.

UPDATE BY TOWN - GENERAL

BROOKLINE – Mike reported that all is ok.

HOLLIS – Joan reported that white paper and scraps are doing very well.

MONT VERNON – Jack reported that all is fine.

AMHERST – Eric reported that stuff under the deck is getting shaky.

UPDATE BY TOWN – RECYCLING

BROOKLINE – Mike mentioned that the District needs to figure out what to do with glass.

HOLLIS – Joan reported that she has been talking with residents.

MONT VERNON – Jack reported that all is fine.

AMHERST – Eric also mentioned the glass situation.

RECYCLING UPDATE

Dennis reported the following prices for August:

	<u>NEP</u>	<u>OPR</u>
OCC	\$15	\$5
Mixed Paper	(\$20)	(\$25)
#8 News	\$100	\$45 (without magazines)

SLOCOMB REPORT/ EQUIPMENT UPDATE

TRAILERS – Dennis reported that the floor is in the trailer and it just needs a few more small repairs. He will soon be starting on the OCC trailer for Brookline.

OLD BUSINESS

MONT VERNON POWER FOR COMPACTOR – Jack will have #s for the next meeting.

PAINTING OF EQUIPMENT – Dennis has not had a chance to start this.

TRASH VS. C&D – Dennis reported that he spoke with Wheelabrator and was told that it is ok to burn small amounts of treated wood. Joan mentioned that Wheelabrator has always accepted furniture with trash. Steve said that when he toured Wheelabrator he was told that they could not take any treated wood. He suggested that the SRLD try to get something in writing from Wheelabrator. Dennis mentioned that he has had a problem with wood getting stuck in the blades.

Eddie made a motion to treat furniture as trash. Eric amended the motion to make anything not nailed to the house considered trash. Tabled until the next meeting.

Dennis will call Wheelabrator to try to get something in writing.

SRLD WEBSITE – There is still some work to be done to make it less obvious that it is on the Amherst site. Dan has had some experience setting up web sites so may be able to help.

SRLD AGREEMENT STATE APPROVAL – Deb heard back from Bernie Waugh and his opinion is that there is no issue. He recommended that the board not pursue it.

BROOKLINE POWER – Mike reported that the equipment is in and they should be all set by the end of next week.

COMPOSTING – Joan reported that she had spent a week at the ME composting school and that Hollis is currently collecting about 150lbs/week. She mentioned that some states are no longer allowing organic waste in the trash and offered to teach the other member town's employees.

RECYCLING APP – Mike wasn't able to get in touch with the person that was promoting the app.

PRICE CHANGES – Steve requested that Deb prepare a spreadsheet that shows prices from January 2018 to present. Deb reviewed the spreadsheet and it shows that most prices have declined but newspaper has increased.

NEW BUSINESS

STEVE – Steve announced that he is moving to Boston so this would be his last SRLD meeting. Bruce Bowler thanked him for his years of service and announced that Dan will likely be appointed as an Amherst Representative.

GLASS – There has been an issue with contamination in the loads to Keene. New London allows more materials in the glass that they accept but they are only open on Fridays. Dennis reported that he tried to arrange to take 2 loads to Keene but they would only allow one. He also mentioned that the process in Keene has become very time consuming because of the wait to unload and then the wait while they inspect the load. He also expressed concern that New London would become overwhelmed with the amount of glass coming in. Steve suggested that New London would be a better option since residents would be able to recycle more of their glass-type material. Others thought that New London could start demanding cleaner loads and then residents would have to be re-trained. Dan also pointed out that only being able to take loads of glass on Fridays would mean taking partial loads. Joan pointed out that most transfer stations aren't open on Friday so they wouldn't be able to clean up around the trailers after they're moved. Dan mentioned that there is a facility in Scarborough that will take other types of glass. Joan suggested that the SRLD make no changes right now since the state is currently working with the DOT to allow use of glass in road projects.

Deb received a list from the NRRA of guidelines for delivering loads to New London that needed signature. Jerry made a motion to authorize Bruce Bowler to sign the guidelines on behalf of the SRLD, Todd seconded, and all voted in favor.

MONT VERNON BILLS - Mont Vernon had to rebuild a wall and Jack wasn't sure if the town or SRLD was responsible for payment. Jerry explained that the SRLD pays for materials and the town pays for labor. A set of steps also had to be replaced and Jerry said that that was a town responsibility. Jerry made a motion to pay for the materials for Mont Vernon's wall totaling \$828. Todd seconded and all voted in favor.

NHES AUDIT – Deb received a notice from NHES that the SRLD had been selected for an audit. Jerry suggested that Deb contact them and explain that she is the only employee. Eric said that the DPW conference area would be available on the scheduled date.

AMHERST CITIZEN – Steve reported that the Amherst Citizen now includes a transfer station column and that he and Bruce had submitted an article.

NEXT MEETING – The next regularly scheduled meeting will be September 5, 2019.

Jerry made a motion to adjourn and Jack seconded. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Quinlan
SRLD Administrative Assistant