

Souhegan Regional Landfill District

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SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL DISTRICT

June 16, 2021

Bruce Bowler, Chairman, called the Meeting of the Souhegan Regional Landfill District to order in the Hollis DPW building at 6:36 P.M. Members attending were Eddie Arnold, Joan Cudworth, Dan Veilleux, Jack Esposito, & Eric Hahn. Also attending were Dennis Slocumb & Debra Quinlan.

CITIZENS FORUM – N/A

MINUTES OF MAY 6, 2021 –Joanie made a motion to accept the minutes as written and Eddie seconded. All others voted in favor.

UPDATE BY TOWN

AMHERST –Eric reported that the plastics compactor is shaking and making a strange noise. Dennis thought it just needed some lubrication. Dennis also mentioned that an Amherst employee had damaged a track.

BROOKLINE – Eddie mentioned that a new DPW building is being built next to the transfer station.

HOLLIS –Joanie reported that Hollis has been promoting recycling & composting. She also mentioned that Rene Slocumb has been sending her weekly Hollis trash tonnages for tracking purposes.

MONT VERNON – Jack reported that there are still questions about what can be in the loads of glass.

RECYCLING UPDATE

Dennis provided the following prices for May & June:

<u>May</u>	<u>Office Paper</u>	<u>Northeast Packaging</u>
Mixed Paper	\$30	\$35
Cardboard	\$80	\$115
Newspaper	\$135 (no magazines)	\$125
Milk Jugs	\$0.73/lb	
Colored Plastic	\$0.29/lb	
PET	\$0.05/lb	
<u>June</u>	<u>Office Paper</u>	<u>Northeast Packaging</u>
Mixed Paper	\$67	\$55
Cardboard	\$90	\$125
Newspaper	\$155 (no magazines)	\$125
Milk Jugs	\$0.89/lb	
Colored Plastic	\$0.40/lb	
PET	\$0.10/lb	

SLOCOMB REPORT/ EQUIPMENT UPDATE

NEW TRAILER – Dennis reported that the new trailer is registered.

PACKERS – Dennis suggested that it might be better to get a smaller packer for plastic as opposed to a large one. He will look into it.

DAN'S STATE OF THE STATE

Dan reported that the bill that would have banned the construction of landfills within 2 miles of a state park was killed.

OLD BUSINESS

HOLLIS CAN CONTAINER SAFETY MEASURES – Dennis reported that fan he had in mind was not powerful enough, but he thinks that the fan assembly from an old chipper may work. He will try to locate one.

EQUIPMENT BLASTING / PAINTING – Dennis still has not been able to speak with the person that he would like to do this job.

MISSION STATEMENT – Eric and Joanie have not had a chance to get back to this.

OFFICE PAPER RECYCLING – Dennis has not looked into this yet.

SOFT STARTS – Nothing new.

TRASH DISPOSAL CONTRACT – Dan presented a comparison of the tipping & hauling charges for the Wheelabrator and Casella proposals. Casella came out about \$350,000 less expensive over the term of the contract in this comparison. but several downsides were pointed out including the wear & tear on the trailers traveling that distance, the difficulty DC Slocumb would have making the trip to the Casella facility in bad weather, scheduling challenges because of the increased travel time, and the environmental impact of using a landfill rather than an incinerator. The current Wheelabrator contract does not expire until the end of 2022, so other options will be investigated before a decision is made.

GLASS AGGREGATE – The board discussed the need for glass aggregate to be more easily incorporated in projects. Dan said that SB680, if passed next year, will require the DOT to use crushed glass in road projects. Eddie felt that it's important for private industry to use it.

NEW BUSINESS

OPEN TOP TRASH CONTAINERS – Bruce mentioned that he thinks towns should start to think about ways to facilitate the use of open top containers for trash in order to increase tonnages. The facilities are not set up for this currently. He suggested that towns could pair up to build and share facilities for this purpose and have an arrangement like their shared schools. It was pointed out that this would require additional employees and equipment.

NEXT MEETING – The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on August 5th at 6:00 p.m. at the Hollis DPW.

Respectfully submitted,

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