

## Souhegan Regional Landfill District

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### SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL DISTRICT

October 3, 2019

Bruce Bowler, Chairman, called the Meeting of the Souhegan Regional Landfill District to order in the Conference Room of the Amherst DPW at 7:01 P.M. Members attending were Jerry Farwell, Dan Veilleux, Eddie Arnold, Eric Hahn, Joan Cudworth, Todd Croteau, & Jack Esposito. Also attending were Mike Wenrich, Dennis Slocumb, & Debra Quinlan.

#### **CITIZENS FORUM – N/A**

**MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2019** –Joan made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Eddie seconded, and all others voted in favor.

#### **UPDATE BY TOWN - GENERAL**

BROOKLINE – Mike reported that all is ok.

HOLLIS – Joan reported that all is fine.

MONT VERNON – Jack reported that all is fine.

AMHERST – Eric mentioned that the glass container is making wheel ruts in the concrete and asked Dennis if he had any ideas. Dennis suggested steel tracks. Eric thought maybe epoxy would work. Bruce will send Eric the name of a person that works with epoxy. Dennis will look into tracks.

#### **UPDATE BY TOWN – RECYCLING**

BROOKLINE – Jerry reported that the milk jug container has not been emptied in a year but that mixed plastic is being emptied every 2-3 weeks.

HOLLIS – Joan reported that she will be testifying at a hearing about the recycling challenges that municipalities are facing.

MONT VERNON – Jack reported that all is fine.

AMHERST – Eric had nothing to report.

#### **RECYCLING UPDATE**

Dennis reported the following prices for September:

	<u>NEP</u>	<u>OPR</u>
OCC	\$15	\$5
Mixed Paper	(\$20)	(\$27)
#8 News	\$100	\$35 (without magazines)

Dennis also reported that he has been told that all plastics will be quoted on a load by load basis.

Since plastic is costing \$200-\$300/ton including hauling, the board suggested that Mont Vernon put their plastic in with trash. Eddie explained that the plastic is not actually being recycled anyway and at least it won't end up in a landfill if it goes to Wheelabrator. Deb will put together

some figures to compare cost. Bruce suggested that SRLD members explain to the selectmen what is happening with plastic.

Todd suggested that other towns start composting to remove weight from trash.

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

MONT VERNON TRAILER – Dennis reported that he cut apart the Mont Vernon trailer and found that it needs more work than he anticipated. He will be replacing 30 cross members and 30 feet of floor. He again suggested that all trailers be put on pads to minimize rust.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

PAINTING OF EQUIPMENT – Dennis received a quote of \$1,000-\$1,200 to sandblast the dome tops. This would not include painting.

BROOKLINE POWER – Jack made a motion to pay 50% of the \$3,700 electrical bill that Mike provided. Joan seconded and all voted in favor

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

PRELIMINARY BUDGET – The board reviewed the preliminary budget that Deb prepared. It currently shows a 14% increase in assessments. There were no changes made but the board will be prepared at the November meeting to decide if the budget should be increased to allow for an equipment purchase. The board will also decide whether to carryover any prior year excess revenue.

TD BANK INTEREST RATE – Jerry mentioned that he thinks the SRLD could be getting a better interest rate on its cash accounts. Deb will contact the TD Bank rep. Joan will also send Deb the contact info for someone who might be able to help.

**NEXT MEETING** – The next regularly scheduled meeting will be November 7, 2019.

Eddie made a motion to adjourn and Todd seconded. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Quinlan  
SRLD Administrative Assistant