

Souhegan Regional Landfill District

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APPROVED

SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL DISTRICT

April 7, 2022

Bruce Bowler, Chairman, called the Meeting of the Souhegan Regional Landfill District to order in the Mont Vernon Town Hall at 6:03 P.M. Members attending were Eddie Arnold, Joan Cudworth, Frank Powers, Jack Esposito, Guy Wadsworth, & Dan Veilleux. Also attending were Mike Wenrich, Eric Slosek, Dennis Slocumb, & Debra Quinlan.

CITIZENS FORUM – N/A

MINUTES OF MARCH 3, 2022 –Joanie made a motion to accept the minutes as written and Frank seconded. All voted in favor.

UPDATE BY TOWN

AMHERST –Eric reported that all is fine.

BROOKLINE – Mike reported that the compactor still seems slow but he can live with it

HOLLIS –Joanie reported that the sweep on the back compactor needs to be looked at.

MONT VERNON – Jack reported that all is fine.

RECYCLING UPDATE

Dennis reported the following prices for April:

	<u>OPR</u>
Mixed Paper	\$ 75
Cardboard	\$115

Joanie asked Dennis if he had heard anything more about clear plastic. He said that Office Paper was paying \$0.26/lb in March.

SLOCOMB REPORT/ EQUIPMENT UPDATE

NEW COMPACTOR – Dennis reported that he received a quote of \$122,186 for a new compactor from SP Industries. This would be more easily switched with the other compactors than a Marathon. Dennis will find out if SP can hold that price for a month and he will try to get more prices for the next meeting.

DAN’S STATE OF THE STATE - Dan mentioned three bills, HB1420, HB1454, & HB380, that would require solid waste plans and minimum setbacks for new landfills.

OLD BUSINESS

SNOW REMOVAL FROM BOXES – Joanie asked for clarification regarding what snow removal tasks attendants would be asked to perform and indicated that she would be reluctant to add more duties for attendants. Attendants would be using snow rakes to remove snow from the tops of boxes only, not trailers. They would not be expected to come in on a day that the transfer station was closed to rake snow. It was decided that this would be brought up again at the next meeting after everyone has had some time to think about it.

LEACHATE – Eric Slosek explained that material has slid two times in the same area and that area was repaired both times, but he’s concerned that Amherst doesn’t have the right equipment for a larger repair and could damage the cap. He said that Don Kirkland thinks that a pipe may have broken. Eric thinks there are other possible explanations for the problem but the only way to know for sure is to excavate. He contacted Jim Sickler

and was quoted \$650 for a half day, \$1,150 for a full day, and \$60/hour for labor to excavate the area. Don Kirkland would have to be present during the excavation. Joanie asked if the DES would have to be involved. Eric responded that Don said it is a small repair so that wouldn't be necessary. Eddie mentioned that the SRLD should make sure that Jim is insured for that kind of work.

Eddie made a motion to contract with Jim Sickler for exploratory repairs with Don Kirkland for a cost not to exceed \$7,500. Jack seconded and all voted in favor. Eric will coordinate the work with Jim & Don.

TIRES IN TRASH – Bruce reported that he contacted Wheelabrator and was told that there could be 3-4 tires in each load. There would be a charge for tires in any load brought to Fitchburg. Dennis thinks that charge would be \$35 per tire. Eddie suggested keeping track of the number of tires in each load in case the load needs to go to Fitchburg.

PURCHASING POLICY – Eddie said that she thinks the SRLD should have a purchasing policy similar to the one that the towns have, with different requirements based on cost. Bruce asked the members to email their town's purchasing policy to Deb so she can email them to the entire board.

NEW BUSINESS

FIXED ASSET DATA SHEET – Dan created a sheet to be completed for each piece of SRLD equipment. Deb provided a copy to be passed around and will email it to all members.

NRRA CONFERENCE – Bruce said that the SRLD would pay for five people to attend the conference as usual. Anyone interested in attending will email Deb prior to April 15th in order to take advantage of the discounted pricing.

TREX PROGRAM – Mike mentioned that he had been approached by a local group that offered to provide a baler if the transfer station would accept plastic film. Joanie said that Hollis had tried that in the past and the program had failed. Mike had anticipated problems and decided not to start that program.

SALT DAMAGE – Bruce reported that he and Eddie had toured all facilities to evaluate the equipment. He said that Amherst really needs to do something to prevent salt from damaging the equipment. Eric reported that he is planning to try to hire an engineer and architect to design a roof and deck that will protect the equipment. Bruce also said that the next three meetings will each be held at a different town and start with a tour of that town's transfer station.

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR – Jack made a motion to keep Bruce as Chair and Dan seconded. Dan made a motion to keep Eddie as Vice-Chair and Jack seconded. All voted in favor of both motions.

NEXT MEETING – The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on May 5th in Amherst. There will be a tour of the Amherst Transfer Station beginning at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting will be held at 6:30 in the Amherst fire station.

Frank made a motion to adjourn & Eddie seconded. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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