

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TOWN OF MADISON
December 12, 2013
MINUTES**

Committee members present: Chairman Dave Downs, Selectmen's representative John Arruda, recording Secretary Ray O'Brien, Paul Littlefield

Others Present: Tim Hughes, Madison TV

Where and When Posted: The SWAC meeting notice is published in the Town Office upper and lower levels and in both town Post Offices. A yearly schedule is published at the beginning of the year. The meeting generally is the second Thursday of each month unless noted on the schedule or amended by a change notice posted in all the above locations at least 24 hours prior to the previously planned meeting.

Meeting Called to Order: Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:10am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On a MOTION by Ray, seconded by John the minutes of November 14, 2013 were approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER: Approved Paul was sworn in this past week at the office.

ALUMINUM BEVERAGE CAN TRAILER: Ray emptied the trailer at North Country Recycling because Rickers had no room on December 2. Charlie Ricker said we should come back on Friday, but Ray and Paul had already arranged to work on the cover on Thursday. Ray took it to NCR and received \$.40 per pound and had to unload it with some help from an attendant. At Rickers we get \$.45 and they unload it and we go back to pick it up. Paul and Ray built the top thanks to Paul's tools and expertise. We painted it, let it dry, affixed it to the trailer, then Ray returned the trailer to the TS on Thursday night.

John will work on getting an employee to transport cans.

GLASS PLAN: It will be excavated and crushed in December at a cost of \$1000. Pile will be worked so it takes up less space. After it is crushed the selectmen will determine how much time we will have before we have to do something.

DATA ANALYSIS: Dave presented data that will go to the Budget Committee. One graph shows the budget over the years starting at \$255,000 down to \$145,000 saving a cumulative \$323,471 compare with staying at \$255,000.

MSW has been trending down from over 1000 tons in 2008 to mid 700s for the last four years. Paper has fluctuated between 90 and 100 tons consistently. Demo tonnage is up this year because we have been integrating the cement debris. Commingled is way down, maybe in part because we pull out four tons of

aluminum beverage cans, but that is only a small part of the difference. We used to put glass in commingled, but now we do not.

Dave will add information about income figures from metal and aluminum beverage cans.

THE NEW BUSINESS OR MEMBER'S "LIST" ITEMS: One of the attendants is trained to use the backhoe. The backhoe can also help with snow removal. We had a discussion around Conway's recent discussion about Pay as You Throw. Also single stream has drawbacks in the amount of return. We should get someone to present the idea to us in 2014. John will look at Demo Bags for commercial.

REVIEW 2013 OBJECTIVES: Objectives for 2014: Electronics are costly, observe compaction experiments, watch for contract issues with NCIS.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Motion to adjourn: John and Paul moved and seconded a motion to adjourn at 9:45am and it passed unanimously.

NEXT SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING: The next meeting will be 1/9/2014 at 8:00am in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

Ray O'Brien, Recording Secretary