

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
TOWN OF MADISON  
September 11, 2014  
MINUTES**

**Committee members present:** Dave Downs, Paul Littlefield, John Arruda, Ray O'Brien

**Others Present:** Videographer Tim Hughes

**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:** 8:04am

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion by Ray, seconded by John, was PASSED to approve the minutes of August 14, 2014

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**NEXT SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING:** The next meeting will be 10/9/2014 at 8:00am in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

**Conway Hazardous Waste Day:** Thank you to Ruth Ham for volunteering to represent Madison.

**ALUMINUM BEVERAGE CAN Roll-Off:** Cement pad being poured and the roll off will be moved for about a week while the the pad sets up.

**Hand Cleaner:** We heard a request from a citizen to put hand cleaner near the compacter. We discussed it and decided not to recommend it to the Selectmen. It would create some problems that the town really doesn't want to take on. The problem of sticky hands can be solved by individual citizens who could keep a container in the vehicle.

**DATA ANALYSIS:** We have spent only 57% of our budget at the transfer station while 69% of the year has passed. Dave's Data reviews 2010-2014 to date. MSW \$/ton was \$108 in 2010, since then it has been \$71/ton. Several reasons were hypothesized. Our tipping fee is less and our tons per haul has gone from 7.6 to 10 tons. This is because we can ship as needed for a slight extra fee. Before we had to be empty on Friday whether it was full or not.

Demo/Bulky is the same as MSW. The cost per ton is going down and the tons per haul is going up. We conclude that the reason might be in part compacting with the back hoe.

Commingled: Commingled tons per haul is going up. Tons collected went up 10% 2012-2014. The cost per ton is the most expensive of all. It is difficult to compact.

Paper: Tons are consistent with 2014 being slightly lower. We are putting cardboard in and maybe there is a connection there or just paper is down all over. Sometimes the roll-off gets shipped light so the operation will be prepared for the weekend. Dave will contact NRRRA or Empire to see if numbers are down for mixed paper and cardboard for others.

We can use this data for several audiences. We can use it to report to the Selectmen and we can put it in the annual report.

**SINGLE STREAM:** Dave will set time for RCAP to visit us.

**COUPONS:** Budgeted \$1100 and spent half so far this year.

**Transfer Station Brochure Update** – Some of the appliances should be reconsidered. We might not need to charge for some of that.

Recreating a brochure could be making changes or start from scratch. We can look at other examples, consider how much text and pictures should be used.

Dave will send examples of brochures; we will look at them, and have a working session next time.

**NEW BUSINESS OR MEMBER'S "LIST" ITEMS:** John reports that Bill will conduct his experiment with glass in October. He will clean around the sides too. We discussed ways to measure glass on a regular basis and to calculate how much we are accumulating per year.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**Motion to adjourn:** A motion by John and seconded by Paul at 9:20am PASSED.

Submitted by Ray O'Brien