

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TOWN OF MADISON
March 22, 2018
Minutes**

Committee members present: Paul Littlefield, David Downs

Committee members Absent: Robert King (called to a work emergency)

Others Present: Tim Hughes-videographer, Jim Cairns-Senior Transfer Station Operator, Jon Cyr-DPW Director

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: By the chairman at 7:38 AM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Downs made a motion to accept the 1/18/18 meeting minutes as written; Littlefield seconded; the motion passed unanimously (2-0).

NEXT SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING: The next meeting will be April 19th at 7:30 AM in the Town Hall meeting room.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: We reviewed the agenda. Downs made a motion to accept the agenda; Littlefield seconded; the motion passed unanimously (2-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. **Meet the new DPW Director:** We welcomed DPW Director Jon Cyr to the SWAC meeting. We reviewed the mission, history, accomplishments and projects of SWAC. Jon expressed his interest in working closely with SWAC in the future. We will copy Jon on all SWAC communications.
2. **Discussion of repair of old compactor:** We discussed the plan for repairing the concrete pad for the compactor with steel rails for a longer lasting repair and the need to get it done in the spring before the summer busy season. Cairns and Cyr will get some quotes.
3. **New SWAC Member Recruitment:** King made a plea for new members at the town meeting. The committee and Cairns and Cyr will also try to recruit new members.
4. **Cost of Roll-Off containers and Savings:** Cairns had gotten a quote from Atlantic Recycling for covered 30 yd roll-offs for about \$7,750. Littlefield had gotten quotes for open roll-offs for: 30 yd- \$4,600, 40 yd-\$5,050 and 50 yd-\$5,950. Downs calculated annual savings numbers of \$2,400/yr if we replaced rented 30 yd recycling roll-offs with 30 yd owned ones and \$7,100/yr with 40 yd owned roll-offs. Additionally, if we were to replace the three 40 yd bulky & demo roll-offs with town owned ones it could save \$5,400/yr. Downs is getting a quote for removable covers for the roll-offs. We need to determine feasibility of using 50 yd roll-offs, best type of roll-off covers, life span of roll-offs and re-work the savings numbers to get a better picture of the realistic savings that

we could get with owning our own roll-offs. Downs will get a meeting with Kathy Garland at NCIS to collect more information and report at the next SWAC meeting.

5. **CIP Discussion:** With the issues requiring significant expenditures (compactor, roll-offs, bailer, etc.) the committee will need to focus on structuring these projects and getting them on the CIP. This renewed our commitment to a master plan for the transfer station. Cyr brought up several topics that he felt may have applicability and to which he would lend his support as DPW Director if they proved to be financially justifiable. Bailing was one we have looked at but needs another review. Littlefield will call NRRRA to get information on bailing payback in the current state of the recycling market. Cyr also brought up use of a town owned glass crusher to keep up with glass and provide product for the highway department. We also discussed doing some field trips to other locations for a look at how they are handling their facilities and taking video to be shown on Madison TV.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Workshops & Conferences:** Littlefield plans to attend a DES workshop on 5/15. Downs and CYR will try to attend an Ecomaine conference on 4/6. Cairns and Cyr plan to attend the NRRRA conference on 5/21.
2. **Valley Pride Day:** Littlefield will call the VPD organizer to discuss issues with items not normally taken by the transfer station.
3. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

8:56 AM Downs made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Littlefield. The motion passed unanimously (2-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Downs, Recording Secretary