

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TOWN OF MADISON
December 19, 2019
Meeting Minutes**

Committee members present: Paul Littlefield, David Downs, Tino Fernandes, Bob King

Others Present: Tim Hughes-videographer, Noreen Downs

Where and When Posted: The SWAC meeting notice is published in the Town Office upper and lower levels and in both town Post Offices. The meeting generally is the third 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: 7:43 AM by the Chairman Littlefield at Town Hall.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: King moved to approve minutes of 11/14/19, Downs seconded, approved 3-0 (Fernandes absent at last meeting).

NEXT SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING: The next meeting will be January 16, 2020 at 7:30 AM, AT THE MADISON TRANSFER STATION (weather permitting).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion to accept the agenda by King, seconded by Downs, approved unanimously 4-0.

ASSIGNMENT OF EMAIL FOR THE MONTH: Downs continues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- 1. Transfer station Service Contract Extension:** Jon Cyr absent and discussion deferred.
- 2. Next SWAC Meeting to be at Transfer Station:** Planned for 1/16/20, weather permitting and availability of Jon Cyr. Tamworth Recycling Committee will meet with us as well at this time and place. Littlefield informed our committee that there will be a meeting at the Cook Library in Tamworth on 1/6, 10 AM with the county commission, NRRA and North Country to explore a possible county wide recycling program. We are invited to participate.
- 3. Discussion of recycling:** EcoMaine is not taking our open containers because of ice and snow in them which prevents proper emptying. MSW has been mixed with some of the mixed recycling and all has been going to the Carbury landfill. If we continue to use the open containers for some of the MSW we may not need to pay for weekend on-call of extra closed container for the compactor. Littlefield will suggest to Jon Cyr that we either have a separate container for non-aluminum cans or change signage so that these cans go into the metal container. Members continue to feel it important to segregate the recyclables at this time since retraining the public in the future would involve several months and arrival of new compactors in the spring may result in other changes.

4. **Noreen Downs presentation:** Noreen has developed an electronic slide presentation to run on MAD TV and educate the public on hazardous waste disposal which occurs at the Conway station on the 3rd Saturday of September. The committee viewed the slide presentation and found it informative and appropriate to include on MAD TV. The committee thanked Noreen for her suggestion and work.
5. **Signage order:** Littlefield will take this on.
6. **Old business:** Downs asked whether it would be necessary to have another non-public session to discuss issues from the last non-public session with the selectmen. King felt that there was no new information about our contract and no need at this time for another non-public session.
7. **New Business:** None
8. **Meeting Adjourned 8:20 AM:** motion Downs, Second Fernandes, unanimous.

Action list:

- Special meeting at Cook Library 1/6
- Signage requests - Littlefield
- Tamworth recycling to meet with us at our January meeting
- Resolve whether on-call extra containers necessary for weekends - ? Downs
- Recycling of non-aluminum cans – discuss with Jon Cyr - Littlefield

Minutes by Tino Fernandes, SWAC Secretary.