

Salisbury/Sharon Resource Recovery Authority
Transfer Station Building Committee (TSBC)

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

Sharon Town Hall

NOTE: Minutes are considered DRAFT ONLY until reviewed and acted upon at the next regular meeting

Present:

TSBC & TRAC Members (Charlie Kelley, Bob Palmer, Dale Jones, Ed Reagan, Tom Bartram, Curtis Rand, John Perotti)

Also Present (Brian Bartram, Ned Harvey, Jessica Fowler, Brent Colley)

Meeting was called to order by C. Kelley at 5:32 p.m.

Approved Agenda – J. Perotti moved to approve the agenda E. Reagan seconded this motion, all others were in favor.

Approved the November 18, 2015 Meeting Minutes – J. Perotti moved to approve the minutes as written E. Reagan seconded this motion, all others were in favor.

Discuss possible size reduction of Building Committee for construction phase of project

Comments from Members:

- *The charge of TSBC initially was:
The Transfer Station Building Committee will represent the SSRRRA in the research, design and construction of a new transfer station and recycling center at the Authority's property on Millerton Road. This Committee will serve at the pleasure of the SSRRRA.*

Discussions culminated with the decision to leave TSBC as it is, but bring in a day-to-day “clerk of the works” who reports to Salisbury’s First Selectman who will then communicate with Sharon’s First Selectman.

B. Palmer moves to suggest a sub-committee so that they could enter into contracts and expend funds to accomplish the original charge of TSBC. This sub-committee would be comprised of: the Sharon & Salisbury First Selectmen as well as a voting alternate from each town. C. Rand would be chair of the sub-committee. The voting alternates would be C. Kelley and D. Jones. E. Reagan seconded this motion and all others were in favor.

This group will be acting on behalf of the Building Committee.

Update on permitting and Construction plans from Anchor Engineering representative Kevin Grindle:

K. Grindle was unable to make tonight’s meeting.

C. Rand reported that we have an opportunity to help with grading the current site which requires bringing in fill. We were offered, free and loaded fill from a local person. We budgeted \$270,000 for this expense and SSRRA can sole source the trucking and delivery of this fill to save money. The fill has been tested by Anchor and has great reviews – right compaction and no contaminates.

SSRRA plans to work with USDA to get reimbursed for the trucking expense, but due to the eminent nature of this offer SSRRA has set aside \$225,000 to get this fill beforehand.

C. Rand requested a permit for bringing in and stockpiling this fill from P&Z. Kevin Grindle constructed a plan for disbursing and preserving this fill. The DEEP has said that this is acceptable because the surrounding Bog Turtles and Long-Eared Bat (both endangered) will not be affected by this. This was confirmed by a Natural Diversity Data Base Species Review provided by the state of Connecticut per Federal laws. USDA became involved and sent a letter stating that they do not have any issues with the Bog Turtle in this region but had questions about the bat. P&Z also conducted their own study and agreed that the Bog Turtle and Long-Eared Bat are not a problem at the new site of the Transfer Station.

Although we are already outside the regulated zone, DEEP would like us to remove/relocate some of the existing tree line to shift the entire building plan away from the wetlands as much as possible, while still leaving a tree-line screen. Kevin Grindle said that he will reconfigure everything and send to Curtis by Friday per DEEP's suggestions.

DEEP has also requested that we provide a Wetlands Restoration plan which will be compiled in-house.

C. Rand will present the plan to bring in fill to the new transfer station site at the Salisbury P&Z Hearing on Monday night at the Salisbury Town Hall at 6:45p.m.

Tentative Timeline:

Bring in Fill to Stockpile - Summer 2016

Environmental Permit – Summer 2016

Building Permit – Summer 2016

Bid Project(s) - Fall 2016

Comments from Members: none

T. Bartram moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:22p.m., E. Reagan seconded this motion and all others were in favor.

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Salisbury Recording Secretary

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