

Salisbury/Sharon Transfer Station Recycling Advisory Committee (TRAC) Minutes

Weds May 15, 2019 - Sharon Town Hall

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

TRAC Members Present: Pat Chamberlain (chair), Anne Saunders, Ned Harvey, Ed Reagan & Barbara Bettigole.

Also Present: Brian Bartram, Transfer Station Manager

1 - Meeting called to order by Pat Chamberlain at 6:36P

2 - Approval of Agenda – Moved, seconded, all in favor

3 – Approve ALL Minutes from Mar 20 – Moved, seconded, all in favor

4 - SSRRA Building Committee Update: Pat asked BOSs about TOUR of new TS, when can we expect, not yet, much, much SITE work in progr now including landscaping, conduit placements, will check again end of summer.

5 - Manager's Report: Barbara, Peter & Brian attended a municipal composting workshop, most info geared to schools and institutions, not so much on community composting but Barb has book on this she will bring to next mtg. There is much interest in regional community composting projects out there. Ed R attended 2 workshops, one on recycling in northeast and another on Solid Waste Mgmt. Reps from Hannaford Stores corp offices in ME spoke on how all Hannaford stores are repurposing foodstuffs via food banks, compost and other down cycling. Also have recycling initiatives in place for their plastics. Brian has checked with many area hospitals and long term care facilities for outreach on this. Can TRAC have any of these consider learning about how to do this kind of thing in future? Not so much info for us on the Solid Waste workshop.

6 - Recommendations: Pat asks if input from TRAC will be needed on stickers, fees, other issues. Brian showed us samples of new vinyl windshield stickers TS will be using, are highly visible and can go over exiting RFID strip. A low tech solution to scanning problems but we can still use the scanner in the future if the system is made to work later on. There may be a few other money saving changes in store at new TS, some have possible issues to be worked out, could cause contamination for instance. Also guard shack, road widths, walkways, other things that we can possibly save on, Ed R is on TSBC (Transfer Station Building Committee) as well and will check on. Lastly no sticker fee increases are planned for this year.

6 - Other Recycling Topics: Barb B feels very strongly form all webinars, panels and site visits she has been part of that when we go to the new TS, we will NEED at least 6 mos or more of real face to face oversight to insure user compliance with rules and regs of the TS. Signage and online info only goes so far. To insure clean single stream and that all goes into correct bins this is necessary but how to do it will have to be considered, seasonal staffing, overtime, interns, other. Video and info on local CATV, info in local papers good but insufficient. TRAC will make an informal recommendation via MEMO to BOSs on this in future.

8 - Public & Committee Comment: No further comments. Our next meeting is Sept 18 in Salisbury.

9 - Adjourn: Pat C adjourned the meeting at 7:41P

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