

Town of Waldoboro, Maine
Transfer Station Committee Meeting Minutes
Municipal Building - 1600 Atlantic Highway
Thursday, February 23, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order** – Bob Butler, Waldoboro citizen, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with a quorum present. Other committee members present were:

John Higgins, Waldoboro Citizen
Liz Dinsmore, Friendship Select Board
Will Payson, Cushing Select Board
Terry Gifford, Waldoboro Hauler
Monika Magee, Cushing Citizen
Randy Robbins, Cushing Citizen

Ted Wooster was absent. Also in attendance: John Spear, Waldoboro Town Manager, and Jon Daigle, Waldoboro Department of Public Works.

2. **Citizens Comments** – None
3. **Minutes** - John Higgins moved and Will Payson seconded that the Committee approve the minutes of the February 9th meeting. All committee members present voted in favor of the motion.
4. **Results of Waldoboro Select Board Deliberations Concerning Draft Ordinance -**

John Spear reported that the Select Board, at their February 14th meeting, did not officially vote to move the ordinance forward for legal review.

John Spear did contact Peter Lynch, the Town attorney, who declined to review the ordinance because of a conflict. Mr. Lynch represents waste haulers who work in Waldoboro and would be subject to the ordinance.

Krista Collins, who worked for the Maine Municipal Association, is willing to review the ordinance and will charge between \$300 and \$500.

John Daigle indicated a preference for a technical review, as well. An engineering firm will charge \$856 to produce a letter report to comment on the ordinance's compliance with regulations of the Maine Department of Environmental Protection.

John Higgins asked what technical details the Transfer Station Committee might have missed while drafting the ordinance and wondered whether there might be something really drastic. John Daigle referred specifically to Ordinance language concerning medical waste and suggested there might be other issues as well.

The committee, by consensus, requested that BOTH the technical and legal reviewers be asked to suggest specific alternative language the Committee might consider pursuant to identified issues.

John Spear suggested, and the committee concurred by consensus, that payment for the legal and technical reviews should come from the Transfer Station Budget.

5. Meet with Transfer Station Personnel.

John Daigle did not invite Transfer Station personnel to visit with the Transfer Station Committee. He cited the absence of an officially appointed Transfer Station Manager as the reason.

6. Municipal Services Agreement

The Committee completed its review of Draft No. 3 of the Municipal Services Agreement and voted unanimously to forward it to the office of Waldoboro Town Manager for legal review.

7. Transfer Station Scales

John Daigle suggested that the Transfer Station make a recommendation to the Waldoboro Select Board concerning the purchase of scales for the Transfer Station. He added that the recommendation could only come after completion of a full re-design of traffic flow and Transfer Station organization. The committee will take up this issue at its next meeting.

8. Other New Business

a. Will Payson raised the issues of PERC performance credits, the determination of Guaranteed Annual Tonnages and PERC's use of out-dated census data.

b. John Daigle said that reserve funds for the closing of the landfill are available.

9. Adjournment

Will Payson moved and Randy Robbins seconded that the meeting adjourn. All committee members present voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted: Bob Butler and Liz Dinsmore

Approved:

Transfer Station Committee
Town of Waldoboro, Maine:

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_____ Bob Butler, Chairman

_____ (Absent) Ted Wooster, Vice Chairman

_____ Elizabeth Dinsmore Committee Secretary, Friendship Select Board

_____ Terry Gifford, Waste Hauler, Waldoboro

_____ John Higgins, Waldoboro Citizen

_____ Monika Magee, Cushing Citizen

_____ Will Payson, Cushing Select Board

_____ (Absent) Bruce Prior, Cushing Hauler

_____ Randy Robbins, Cushing