

Town of Waldoboro Maine

Transfer Station Committee Meeting Minutes

Municipal Building – 1600 Atlantic Hwy.

Thursday, March 9, 2017 – 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

1. Sign in and call to order: Bob Butler called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM on Thursday, March 9, 2017.
2. Determine the presence of a quorum (at least 5 of the 7 committee members or their duly appointed alternates must be present): The following Waldoboro Transfer Station Committee members were present and constituted a quorum:

Bob Butler, Waldoboro Select Board

Ted Wooster, Waldoboro resident

Randy Robbins, Cushing resident

Wayne Luce, Hauler representative

Martha Marchut, Cushing Select Board

Also present: John Daigle, Waldoboro Public Works Director

3. Information Sharing and Public Comments: Committee Members, Haulers, and Director of Public Works and all others for items not on the agenda – Note: special invitation sent to Trash Haulers: No haulers were present. The Committee agreed to pend the hauler discussion.
4. Discussion of the Minutes of the January 12, 2017 Transfer Station Committee Meeting: The Committee members discussed pending the review of the minutes of the January 12, 2017 Transfer Station Committee meeting until the April 13, 2017 meeting. Randy Robbins moved to pend the discussion of the minutes until the April 13, 2017 meeting. Ted Wooster seconded the motion. The motion passed with four in favor and one abstaining.
5. Review Draft FY 2018 Transfer Station Budget with Director of Public Works: Director of Public Works, John Daigle, passed out statistics on the workings of the Transfer Station. Trips to PERC have been cut roughly in half. Because of the use of the scales, the Transfer Station has taken in around \$40,000. Adding in metals will bring the total to over \$55,000. The disposal of mattresses and couches costs \$125 per ton. During the past year, the Transfer Station took in 2,430 mattresses. There was a question about the recycling statistics; John indicated that he would research the question and report back to the Committee. He also reported that 222 cubic yards of brush and almost 500 cubic yards of painted wood were brought to the Transfer Station during the past year. In addition, eleven people are participating in the composting coupon program. In total, 8,587 transactions took place during the last year. Regarding the FY2018

budget, John anticipates that it will be decreased by around \$17,000 (3.2%) and noted that he needs to hear from Lincoln County before we can be sure exactly where we stand. Operating expenses have increased slightly. Last year, we started being charged for an Annual Non-secured Landfill License. Projected tipping fees total \$212,734. They would have been lower if PERC hadn't raised their tipping fees. The budget also reflects that the amount shipped to PERC should drop 100 tons. We also are projected to be down to 136 trips to PERC at \$400 per trip for transport fees.

6. Discuss Sale of Ownership Interests in PERC: A question was raised about how to handle the request to have funds reimbursed by PERC to the three towns. The plan is that John Daigle will speak with Greg Louder at MRC and Bob Butler will email Greg Louder regarding this matter.
7. Discuss Municipal Service Agreement among Cushing, Friendship, and Waldoboro. (Note changes needed to address the post PERC era): The Committee discussed the possibility of allowing Cushing and Friendship to have a vote regarding decisions about the Transfer Station. This included a discussion about who the actual voters would be. One suggestion was that the Chairmen of the Cushing and Friendship Boards of Selectmen would vote as representatives of their respective Towns. The Transfer Station Committee Ordinance would need to be updated to reflect this change if it were to occur. Bob Butler suggested that the Municipal Service Agreement should be completed first and that the Ordinance could be changed after that.
8. The next meeting will be Thursday, April 13, 2017 at 6:00 PM. A motion to adjourn was made by Ted Wooster and seconded by Martha Marchut. It was approved with a vote of 5 – 0. The meeting adjourned at 7:40PM.

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