

## Solid Waste Advisory Committee Minutes

Tuesday, January 7, 2020 - 7:30 pm Small Conference Room at Town Hall

Members Present: Linda Davis, Alan Robinson, Chris Polloni, , Ruth Brazier, Zach Ellis, and Amy Roth  
Members Absent: Marc Finneran  
Public Attendees: Suzanne Thomas, LWV, Amy Collins

1. Call to Order. Linda called the meeting to order at 7:36 pm.
2. Minutes. Alan moved and Chris seconded. Minutes from the December meeting approved with no corrections.
3. Public Comment. None.
4. Updates and Announcements.
  - a. Barnstable County Meeting 1/15/20 from 12 to 3pm re: Solid Waste Master Plan. Kari Parcel to discuss grants.
  - b. Alan – FLRT wants to encourage Adopt a Street program for litter reduction. May pursue a grant for reduction of litter associated with nips.
  - c. Linda met with Peter McConarty and received the following updates on SWAC requests made to the Board of Selectpersons:
    - i. Recycling IQ Kit – still working on this and deciding whether we can implement this year. May not be possible in 2020 (even with part-time SW manager).
    - ii. Spring Town Meeting (warrant closes 1/17)
      1. Working on draft recycling bylaw that includes Private Hauler Regulations.
      2. Requesting part-time Solid Waste Manager position. Description being written in January for comment.
    - iii. Getting the Word Out:
      1. Direct Mailings – flyers should go out in bill.
      2. Sandwich Boards arrived with multiple messages (2' by 3'). Need to pick locations around town to stage them (Main Stree? Town Hall? Churches on Sunday mornings?).
      3. FCTV – work with them on messaging (Zach and Linda to work on this). Publicity for flyer.
      4. Editorial in the Enterprise?
    - iv. Town Involvement - Linda talked to Peter McConarty and will reach out to Ernie and others at DPW
    - v. Preparing for the new SW contract.
      1. Residents need adequate bins – Town may need to subsidize.
      2. Ruth suggests that the Town, in negotiating the new contract, explores the advantages of having a single hauler provide both curbside and service at the WMF.
    - vi. SWMF Upgrades and Maintenance
      1. Peter McConarty is reviewing available funds – Linda and Ruth will make an appointment to discuss priorities, which could include the crumbling wall, a storage shed for furniture, and/or an updated computer system.
      2. Solid Waste Plan should be reviewed and updated as needed.
      3. Ruth received a \$100 donation for the SWAP Shop. Suggestion to provide dump stickers to Service Center (and possibly other charitable organizations) that people could check out.
      4. Future – Ruth is working on assessing how many stickers were sold so we understand financials. Discussion of bringing back C&D waste disposal (with scale) to increase revenue.

- vii. Permits for Special Events – We want to add requirements to the permits that address solid waste management and recycling expectations but have an issue with where recycling will go once collected (WMF will not accept).
6. Recycling in Schools.
    - a. Amy to meet with Superintendent Duerr on January 22. Also meeting with a member of the School Committee and an interested teacher at Lawrence. Will reach out to Dr. Brothers at FHS as well.
    - b. Discussion of presenting program to 4<sup>th</sup> graders using Ginny’s board.
  7. Discussion of Recycling IQ Kit 2020.
    - a. Alan suggests that implement in 2020 may not be necessary if we continue our recycling surveys and implement education. Recent surveys indicate 64% compliance and more than 20% of those not in compliance are due to plastic bags. Suggests Town sets goal of 0% contamination.
    - b. How to increase compliance? Stickers on bins. Rejected bins. Media blitz. Need to talk to Chris Macera
  8. Website. Content is outdated. Kari Parcell is willing to sit down in next few days to help update. Alan, Ruth, and potentially Linda to meet on Friday with Kari to address. Meeting at 9:30 at Town Hall.
  9. Beach Committee. Want to meet with Beach Committee in Spring to discuss recycling (where does it go?). Consider pack in/out approach.
  10. Talkin’ Trash. Confirmed Ruth to write article for January. Amy Collins requested copies of TT articles – Amy Roth to provide via email.
  11. Adjourn. Alan moved to adjourn. Zach seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm.