

# Minutes for Solid Waste & Recycling Committee

Monday November 18, 2019

9:00 – 11 AM, DPW Conference Room

Theophilus F. Smith Road, South Dennis, Ma

Amended minutes

Members present: Josh Brimdyr (Chair), Marla Vincent (Vice Chair), Julia Johnson, Remo Vito, Michele Kyrimes, Jane Stevens & John Terrio. Liaison to Select Board

Members Absent: Ralph Marcheselli

Also Absent: David Johnsen DPW Director and Chad Contonio

Guests: Doug Wittmer, Julie and Steven Kennie and Lyn Solomon

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:09
2. The minutes from May, June and October were accepted as printed.
3. It is suggested that each meeting begin with a report from the Director and an update. This was agreed to and Josh will take care of a request to David.
4. It is suggested as we have, or will soon have, some vacancies on the board, that a packet of information both on paper and electronic be gathered to be handed out as requested.
5. Vito pointed out that the financial information which is needed by the committee in order to make recommendations about 2020 sticker prices has not yet been released. Any changes must be made at the fall town meeting...spring is too late. The request goes through a number of steps from the Director on up the line. As budgets are now being discussed, it leaves the committee out of the loop. We would also like to know how many stickers were sold for 2019.
6. The agenda was suspended to allow visitors to speak. Lyn Solomon: Just observing and may be interested in joining the committee. She was urged to fill out a form at town hall. Steven Kennie had left but Julie had questions about how to contact the committee. She was urged to check the Web Page on the Dennis Web Site. There needs to be an e-mail address accessible on the site and the site needs to be updated. Dan Proto is the IT person. John Terrio will contact him. Julie also wanted to know how the bottle ban will affect what is collected and highly urged us to ban plastic straws. Both the town and state are currently working on this.
7. Liaison: The bottle ban policy has been implemented by the town. Bids for the beach shacks were sent back to have this policy included.
8. Glass Recycling. The chopper is working as we speak and is doing well. The chipped glass can be stored forever with no degradation to the glass. Vito stressed that we need impact as to who is doing the work and cost.
9. Committee reports. Signage is a bid item but is being monitored. Redesign and Construction: Josh has not been on the list but will check. Education: Nothing new. Membership: Allyson Schmidt is still in town and is a permanent member. We need resignation letters from Allyson and Emma Brimdyr. Ralph is an Alternate and Doug is possible interested but needs to fill out the green card. Josh is working on the Web Page. The plate reading is postponed until the next meeting.
10. Discussion about consolidating the committees will be put on the agenda for the Dec. Meeting.
11. Next meeting Dec. 16. Meetings will continue to be on the second Monday of the month.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 11:35

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