

**SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
September 16, 2019
6:00 P.M., TOWN OFFICE**

PRESENT: Jamie Sullivan, Moderator
Mary Broderick
Jake Fleming
Dave Hartnett
Frank Healey
Mark Longstaffe
Helen McIntyre
Tom McGuirk
Paul Morin
David Morrison
Ute Pineo
Norm Silberdick
William Sullivan
Alicia Xanthopoulos

ABSENT: Julie Glover

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I. Call to order

Deputy Town Manager, Mr. Jamie Sullivan, called the meeting to order and welcomed the Committee members.

II. Public comment

No public comments were made at this meeting.

III. Introduction of members

Committee members introduced themselves.

IV. Minutes

A **MOTION** was made to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2019 meeting.

MOTION PASSED

Moved by Mr. William Sullivan

Second by Mr. David Morrison

Vote 13-0

V. Future Meeting Schedule

The Committee discussed when to schedule future meetings. Dates for the meetings were decided upon and will be posted.

VI. Guest Speakers

Upon the request of the Committee members, representatives from Mr. Fox and Net Zero will be invited to speak at the September 30th meeting.

VII. Committee Discussion

The Committee members discussed the concept of “fair and equitable” in regard to picking up everyone’s trash or not picking up anyone’s trash. After each Committee member gave their opinion on this matter, it was the consensus of the group that a solution should be considered somewhere in the middle between providing no pick up and everyone being picked up. During this discussion, some of the issues considered were the following: level of service, public safety, the need for warrant articles, collection for condominiums, grandfathering service based on past practice, commercial versus residential collection, pay as you throw, tax abatements for those who do not receive collection, and the need to utilize new technology.

VIII. Report from Department of Public Works (DPW) Director and Deputy Director

DPW Director, Chris Jacobs, provided the Committee with a memorandum showing the projected solid waste and recycling costs by cart. These costs covered the collection by the Town, transportation from the Transfer Station and final disposal at the landfill or recycling center. The Committee members discussed a variety of ways to cut costs while maintaining a high level of service for the residents and protecting the publics’ health. Director Jacobs and Deputy Director, Jennifer Hale answered questions and provided their input in regard to this issue.

IX. Adjournment

At 8:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned on the **MOTION** of Mr. Frank Healey and was unanimously **SECONDED** by all Committee members.