

**ACADIA DISPOSAL DISTRICT**  
**Minutes of the meeting on Monday, August 21, 2000**

**PRESENT:** Ellen Brawley, Lyle Dever, Chip Reeves, Beverly Sanborn, Leon Yeaton (Pleasant Bay Management)

**ABSENT:** Bob Kates, Fay Lawson,

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Agenda approved as distributed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes approved as distributed.

**REGULAR BUSINESS:**

**A. Legal Status- Discussion of the legal status of the District.**

The Bar Harbor town attorney is still reviewing the material, and will call Leon to find out about his experiences. Leon expressed his opinion that the organization can run more like a business if politics are out of the picture, so that town governments do not have to approve decisions.

**B. Review Draft Contract- Review and begin discussion of the draft contract with EMR.**

It was decided to ask the League to vote on the following items on which to take a firm stand:

- No fixed annual fees for anything
- Accountability for recycling revenues
- Accountability for incoming trash
- Direct billing by PERC and MRC to each town

In addition, the League will be asked to vote on the concept of floating rates as described on page 14 of the draft contract, whereby rates per ton of MSW would increase as volume decreased. This would encourage cooperation in reducing the quantity of trash, whether through a user fee system or other means.

**C. Review District Bylaws**

Leon will send the proposed changes to the bylaws to each committee member. In turn, committee members will take them to their town management for discussion. It is important to get the district going now for smooth operations.

**D. Subcommittees**

Leon reported on the meeting with Tim King about joining with Ellsworth in their Transfer Station. Bob Kates and Jef Fitzgerald of HCPC also participated.

Tim was very open to such an arrangement. He suggested that the towns should purchase the services from the City of Ellsworth. The Ellsworth facility currently handles MSW for both residents and commercial, Demo Debris, Bulky Items, Waste Wood, Tires, Metals, Glass, Plastics, Cardboard and Newspaper/magazines.

We need more communication and education in our towns. Leon will work on press releases about the work of the committee.

Leon also circulated the name and address of another private hauler, with references from Franklin, Sorrento, Sullivan, Winter Harbor and Millbridge:

Harris (John Harris d/b/a)  
RFD #4 Box 266  
Ellsworth, ME 04605  
584-3030

**TO DO:** Each committee member is requested to email to Leon and Chip a report of

- Town manager's reaction to the proposed contract draft
- Town manager's reaction to the bylaw revisions

**NEXT MEETING DATE & AGENDA ITEMS**

**Date:** September 18, 2000 at 1:00 pm. Place: Council Chambers, Bar Harbor Municipal Building

**Agenda:** Same as this meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Ellen T. Brawley