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ACADIA DISPOSAL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
January 20, 2005 at the Somesville Fire Station

PRESENT: Ellen Brawley (clerk), Lyle Dever (SWH), Bob Kates (Trenton), Tony Smith (Mount Desert), Elliott Spiker (Tremont), Lee Yeaton (Pleasant Bay Management)

ABSENT: Beverly Sanborn (Cranberry Isles) (weather)

VISITORS: Lee Worcester, Beth Gott

CALL TO ORDER: 1:42

MOTION: (Dever, Kates) to approve the minutes of December 22, 2004. Carried 4-0.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

Treasurer's Report: Elliott distributed a report showing expenses of \$6856 for the year and a carryover to 2005 of approximately \$4400. He said we should be receiving the audit soon. Tony said he had received the audit from James W. Wadman stating that our affairs seem to be in an acceptable condition.

MOTION: (Dever, Kates) to accept the Treasurer's report. Carried 4-0.

MOTION: (Kates, Dever) To extend a special vote of thanks to Elliott, who has not only put our books in order but has built and maintained an ADD website. Carried 3-0. (Spiker abstaining).

Legal Requirements for the Annual Meeting: Elliott has sent the budget to all the towns as required. Tony said the Mount Desert selectmen are okay with it. Southwest harbor has forwarded it to the warrant committee. Elliott said that Tremont has no difficulty. Tony and Elliott also presented it to the League of Towns. It was agreed that our by-laws do not require the towns to approve our proposed budget, they just must be given it for review. **The annual meeting will take place on February 17, 2005 at 1:30 pm at the Somesville Fire House.**

OCC: There was discussion of the OCC ban. Lee Worcester said that on the whole the haulers are doing very well, and the amount of OCC in the trucks is diminishing. He proposes to ask any hauler bringing in cardboard to pick it up off the tipping floor and carry it over to the recycling bins. Beth pointed out that the haulers can charge the problem back to the customers. She had one cardboard dumpster which was repeatedly being contaminated. She charged the client for the load at construction debris rates, and feels the problem will now disappear. It was agreed that it is the hauler's responsibility to ensure that OCC is not contaminating the load, but that we must be consistent across all the haulers.

MOTION: (Dever, Kates) Haulers who bring in contaminated loads may be charged the total cost of EMR charges and PERC tipping fees for that load. Carried 4-0.

Bob drafted a letter to the effect that 1. we're making progress and that we are pleased with the overall response, but that 2. in a few cases trash providers or haulers are failing to observe the

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policy and that 3. In exceptional cases the hauler will either incur an additional charge or have the load rejected. Tony will type up the letter and send it to Bob for approval before sending it to all the haulers.

Eaton Peabody re EMR: Andy Hamilton of Eaton Peabody has informed us that all correspondence re negotiations with EMR should go through him. This should protect the confidentiality of the negotiations, due to attorney-client privilege. Lee Worcester will send us a letter through Eaton Peabody, and then will get together with Tony and Elliott.

Door to Door: It was agreed to ask for informational bids, including for potential contracts for materials other than MSW. We agreed to leave Cranberry Isles out of the preliminary bidding process, so that the need for bargaining would not scare potential bidders away.

MOTION: (Dever, Kates) That we solicit informational bids for door-to-door pickup, and encourage wayward towns to submit the necessary information. Carried 3-0.

City of Ellsworth: They are not interested in joining us now, they are planning to run the transfer station themselves after the Pine Tree contract expires. Lee suggested that we might contact them about help on non-MSW waste. We should also contact EMR on that issue.

Lee Yeaton suggested that the town of Lamoine might be interested to join ADD as their waste handling systems may have changed. Bob and Lee will be a committee to look into Lamoine.

Consultant Report: Lee Yeaton said he'd heard from Prof. Criner about the possibility of doing a study on PAYT in towns with seasonal wealthy taxpayers. Prof. Criner said that a less expensive idea might be to meet with him to talk about how to do such a study ourselves. Lee will try to set up a meeting with Prof. Criner in Orono. Lyle suggested that COA also might be able to help us.

League of Towns Meeting: Tony and Elliott went to the last League meeting. The league agreed to let us coordinate the HHW and UW collection.

Assignments per Director:

Tony Smith: get Mount Desert's door to door info to Lee Y.
Contact COA
Call Pine Tree re contaminated loads
Write up the letter Bob Kates drafted.
Bob Kates and Lee Yeaton: Look into status of Lamoine.
Elliott Spiker: get door to door info to Lee Y.

NEXT MEETING: ANNUAL MEETING. 1:30 pm, February 17, 2005 at the Somesville Fire House.

ADJOURNMENT: 3:30.

Respectfully submitted

Ellen T. Brawley, Clerk