

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

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

ABSENT: Beverly Sanborn (Cranberry Isles).

VISITORS: Lee Worcester and Damaris Smith (EMR), Sherry Churchill (HCPC)

CALL TO ORDER: 1:35

MOTION: To approve the minutes of September 15th. Approved 4-0.

Treasurer's Report: Elliott provided a Treasurer's Report, showing that we still have a balance of about \$14,000.

MOTION: To accept the Treasurer's Report. Carried 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Door-to-Door: Tony said that if we pursue the door-to-door to PERC option, we should send out an RFP in late 2006 or early 2007.

Possible Transfer Station: Tom Connery is very interested in working with us. He has about 25 acres, and has an interested neighbor with 50. Access is from the Bayside Road or from the Goose Cove Rd.

Lamoine: Elliott talked to a member of the Solid Waste Committee in Lamoine about the possibility of their joining ADD and/or the use of their transfer station site. The site would require adaptation, but the fact that it's a permitted site would simplify the permitting process.

State Support: Both DEP and SPO are interested in supporting us if we open our own transfer station.

HHW/UW: The collection went very well. Tony sent a letter to HCPC on behalf of ADD. It was suggested that for next year, we needn't take up so much of the parking lot on a day with athletic events. Sherry Churchill also suggested that we ask the towns to submit a deposit prior to the collection, and that afterwards we could settle up with each. This has worked out very well for the Ellsworth collection.

The billings this year came to about \$11,000, of which the League of Towns will pay \$2,000. We'll pay the \$9,000 remaining. It is very likely we will get a reimbursement grant from the state for 50% of our costs, so we will bill the towns assuming the reimbursement. Should the grant fall through, we will have to bill the towns again.

Bob suggested that we should put money for a revolving fund into our budget. It was decided instead to use the surplus at the end of this year as working capital.

NEW BUSINESS:

Leon Yeaton: Leon's report outlined our the current options on the table. He urged us to get moving. There isn't time to get our own transfer station operating by July 2007 when our current contracts expire. Available options are:

- Continuing with the current system
- Door to door, direct to PERC for all MSW
- Open ended bid – any ideas for solving our needs.

- Ellsworth
 - Use their transfer station by a long term contract
 - Ellsworth join ADD

Bob pointed out that we could combine door-to-door direct to PERC with the use of the Ellsworth transfer station. He also said that we should deal with the underlying reluctance of the island towns to work with Ellsworth because it is less convenient. Lyle added that for any new system to be accepted by SWH it must be cost effective and convenient.

Sherry said that Ellsworth should be ripe to hear from us and perhaps get into a serious relationship. Tony asked Lee Yeaton to contact them to set up a meeting.

Setbacks: Lee's contact at DEP indicated that if the transfer station was located inside a building, the setback requirements might be reduced from 250 feet to 100 feet. This could be really significant in finding a transfer station site.

SWH BOS Meeting: Tony and Elliott met with the SWH selectmen. They were very supportive of having ADD do the negotiations on behalf of the towns. Tony expects to hear back from the lawyers by the end of next week on the questions of how we can do business.

Reuse a Shoe: There was considerable discussion of the Nike program which was being put forward by MRRA. It was felt that collecting used sneakers could be a good project in the schools, and Sherry thought we might be able to get volunteers to do the not inconsiderable labor of removing all metal (such as eyelets) from the shoes. After some discussion of the economics of shipping the sneakers back to Oregon for processing, it was decided that we shouldn't support a program that doesn't appear financially practicable. If it takes more resources to recycle, it doesn't make sense.

MOTION: that Bob Kates write to Victor Horton at MRRA questioning their role in pushing this program. Carried 4-0.

Assignments per Director:

Bob: letter to Victor Horton

Tony and Elliott: regular get-togethers re

- Options
- Budget
- Transfer station land

Tony and Sherry: get together re HHW followup

OTHER BUSINESS:

Record-keeping Program: Lee reported that the computer program is now installed in SWH.

Swan's Island: Swan's island has joined the League. Lee Yeaton will contact Nancy about joining the ADD.

MRC Election: Lee recommended that our towns vote for Ellery Keene.

MOTION: That Tony be authorized to pay the bills for the HHW collection. Approved 4-0.

NEXT MEETING: to be scheduled after Tony and Elliott have done some of their work. The third Thursday happens to be Thanksgiving, so that date is out..

ADJOURNMENT: 3:05

Respectfully submitted, Ellen T. Brawley, Clerk