

Meeting Minutes 08/21-28/2017

In Attendance: Anna Poe, Gabe McPhail, Amy Lear, Eric Davis (28th only), Pat Lundholm

- 1. Cardboard: It sounds like the Thomaston cardboard recycler is too good to be true. If it is workable, he would take all the waxed and wet cardboard for just the price of his boat ticket. This would help all the buying stations, and anyone with cardboard not fit for single stream. If we were to go to single stream, we would pull the big users (buying stations, grocery store, anyone else with a steady large amount of cardboard) out of single stream and put them in their own trailer, while allowing the small user to use the one stop drop off. To do: Pat to follow up with Andy.
- 2. Layout: We spent most of both meetings studying the options for a simple, non-disruptive way to add single stream recycling to the current transfer station. The goals are that it is cheap (there is nothing in the budget for reworking the layout of the transfer station), should be done as soon as possible (increases in recycling mean decreases in solid waste), while improving, or at least not making worse, the traffic flow.

We worked from both the 3-dimensional layout and the flat map showing existing structures and came up with six options, with pros and cons for all. We plan to make a presentation of the ideas to the Selectmen at their September 18th meeting.

To Do: Pat to start the draft of the presentation and put it on Google Docs for committee members to edit and improve. This should be done well in advance of the September 11th meeting. Eric raised the question as to whether or not the single stream trailer, if placed in Kenny's preferred spot along the recycling building, could be easily rolled out and picked up by the trucker. Pat to consult with Kenny on that.

3. Future Layout:

Amy worked on an "ideal" layout of the transfer station, with two different traffic flows (household vs other, larger deliveries). Lots of good ideas in there for thinking about.

- 4. Compost: Anna has completed the review of the meeting with Mark King, and minutes are approved. The committee agrees that although he recommends a three pronged approach to begin recycling (private citizens at home, small trial project at transfer station, and school), we drop the school this year for two reasons: they have done it in the past and are not now, so there is probably some resistance that we are not aware of, and their administration is brand new and could probably use some settling in time. We will get through the Single Stream project first, and start working on the compost this winter.
- 5. Wind Ads: Gabe for 8/29, Amy for 9/4, and invite to selectmen's meeting for 9/11.
- 6. Break for Labor Day Next meeting at 7PM September 11th.