

Recycling Committee Meeting Notes

February 8, 2011

The meeting started at 6:30 PM

Those present: Andrew Stockwell, Justin Leavitt, Don Guarino, Johnna McKenna, Frank Bosiak, Lew Henry, Israel Willard and Barbara Swanson.

1. The minutes for the January 11, 2011 meeting were approved.
2. The Power Point Presentation that Johnna developed was discussed. Additional updates had been made since the January meeting, but there were still some numbers that were needed. Justin is to provide them to Johnna this week. It was mentioned that we do not have a weekly income for recycling, so to note only the annual amount. It was suggested that the notation "if we increased the (recycling) rate by XXX we could save XXX, be based on a 10% increase which would save more than \$7000.00 per year. The Cost of Operations page is to include only 2010 numbers. Johnna will make the updates and provide them to Justin for printing and he will bring the copies to the Town Meeting (March 12, 2011). Additionally, the committee would like to present the Power Point to the residents on the day of the Town Meeting. Discussed was the possibility of having a table in the cafeteria where the presentation could be shown on a computer, handouts would be available and surveys could be given out. Andrew will find out if a computer might be available for us to use at the school.
3. The survey Johnna put together was read and those present accepted it as read. Johnna will provide the survey to Justin for printing and they will be available at the Town Meeting as well as the town libraries.
4. It was discussed that we need to let residents know about the survey and the Power Point Presentation. Suggestions included through handouts at the school, posters, the town web site, the local newspapers and at the Recycling Facility. A headline that was mentioned: "We're Talking Trash...and we'd like your opinion" could be used for all media. Posters could be created by the 6th grade class. Barbara will put together a short article for the papers.
5. Other business:
It was mentioned that Sarah Nichols (RCAP) is working on the Full Cost Analysis for Gilmanton, but that she is still missing some information. Justin said that he would give her a call to see what she needs.
A letter was received from James Presher, Director, CRSW/RRC regarding a clarification of what would be required of the Town of Gilmanton if we were to commit to the Single Stream Project. We would not have to sign a 15 year contract, since we are a founding member. The town could choose to start Single Stream recycling when it makes sense to do so. Additional information can be found in the letter (see attached).
In the Jan. 12th issue of the Suncook Sun, there was a positive letter to the editor regarding our "Recycling Pays...Santa's Elves Deliver" article.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, March 9th at 6:30PM in the Academy Building (top floor).

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Swanson

Recording clerk

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January 25, 2011

Mr. Andrew Stockwell, Chairman
Recycling Committee
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RE: Clarification

Dear Mr. Stokwell and Committee Members:

It is my understanding that after meeting with NRRRA there is some confusion that should be clarified as to what would be required of the Town of Gilmanton if they were to commit to the Single Stream Project.

The Town does not have to sign a 15 year contract with the Co-op. As a founding member of the Co-op the Town would simply send a letter to the Co-op indicating that they wish to participate in the project (Letter of Commitment).

Gilmanton would not be required to start doing single stream now if they were to send a Letter of Commitment. The Town could choose to start single stream when it makes sense for them to do so. At such time the Town goes to single stream they would be required to deliver their single stream materials to the facility. Also, the Town would not be required to ship their materials to Maine. Many communities who have chosen to start single stream now because of the many benefits, are contracting with a hauler or NRRRA to have their single stream materials picked up, consolidated and delivered to any number of single stream facilities until such time as the Co-op facility is operational.

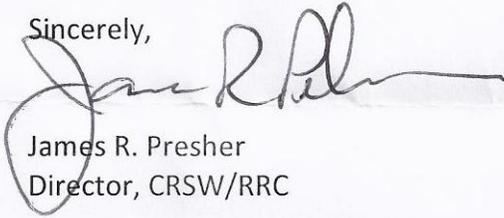
As for revenue, the present estimate for payment is from \$20 to \$30 per ton. This is not just a first year payment. The Town will receive "real economics" from the facility. In good times (strong markets) there will be a revenue, in bad times there might be a payment. In any case the members will experience the best economics possible. The members are the owners. They will receive the benefits.

Single stream recycling is the next generation of recycling. Gilmanton has been a leader for years on the recycling front and I believe that single stream will provide Gilmanton another opportunity to continue to be a leader. It is our belief that within five years the majority of the State of New Hampshire's recyclables will come from single stream.

I hope you find this information helpful. If you should have any questions or if you would like to set up another meeting please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James R. Presher". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "P".

James R. Presher
Director, CRSW/RRC

Cc: Justin Leavitt