

TOWN OF BROOKLYN

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Resource Recovery Commission Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 12, 2023, 7:30 pm Clifford B. Green Memorial Building and via Zoom

Present: Austin Tanner, Joe Voccio, Rick Ives, Lisa Mileski, Recording Secretary

Also Present: Andre Beaudoin, Stephen Mylly

Absent: Lou Brodeur, Ken Dykstra

1. Call to Order: A. Tanner called the meeting to order at 7:29 pm.

2. Approve Meeting Minutes of June 8, 2023: J. Voccio made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of June 8, 2023; A. Tanner seconded the motion; R. Ives abstained; the meeting minutes of June 8, 2023 were approved.

3. Public Comment: None.

4. Landfill Attendant Report: S. Mylly and A. Beaudoin stated they have been making many cosmetic improvements to the Transfer Station, including painting, making signs, and organizing. They have observed patrons doing things incorrectly, using the wrong bags, throwing cardboard in, etc., so S. Mylly has been walking around keeping an eye on things. They stated that surveillance cameras have been donated to them, and they would like to see if our IT person could set them up. S. Mylly has been trained on the backhoe, squishing, and he does the mulch and brush piles. The Board stated they are very pleased with everything they are doing.

5. Discussion

- **a. Casella Contract:** The Board discussed the current contract with Casella and how they use a formula for recyclables versus how the previous contract was a set figure. They also discussed how the recycling fees are increasing.
- **b. Recycle Materials in Bulky Waste:** The Board discussed how they were cited by Casella for some of the materials in a recycling dumpster and it was determined that this was not the Town's dumpster.
- **6. Financials:** The Board discussed the financials, including that the Planet Aid bin was full and we are getting seven cents per pound for its contents. Raising the rates eventually was also discussed and this will be discussed at the next meeting.
- **7. Other Business:** S. Mylly stated that a water analysis was conducted on Wednesday and they will be back in April. A. Tanner mentioned that they are going to get a combination padlock for the Transfer Station gate so that they can provide the combination when the Transfer Station is not open. It was discussed that the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day is November 11, 2023 at the Woodstock Town Hall. A. Tanner also mentioned that there is about \$30,000.00 in the nip fund and that it is not just general income, it needs to be spent on environmental things.
- 8. Public Comment: None.
- **9. Adjourn:** J. Voccio made a motion to adjourn; R. Ives seconded; and the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lisa Mileski, Recording Secretary