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Resource Recovery Commission
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, December 21, 2023, 8:00 pm
Clifford B. Green Memorial Building
and via Zoom

Present: Austin Tanner, Joe Voccio, Ken Dykstra, Lisa Mileski, Recording Secretary
Also Present: Andre Beaudoin, Stephen Mylly
Absent: Rick Ives, Robert Lee, Mike Barry

- 1. Call to Order:** A. Tanner called the meeting to order at 8:13 pm
- 2. Approve Meeting Minutes of October 12, 2023:** J. Voccio made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 12, 2023; K. Dykstra seconded; and the meeting minutes of October 12, 2023 were approved.
- 3. Public Comment:** None
- 4. Landfill Attendant Report:** A. Beaudoin thanked the Town for the mini splits. He said he and S. Mylly continuously work improving the facility, both inside and out. He said there are some issues with Town employees putting things in the wrong places and with the waste oil. He also mentioned that people are bringing hazardous waste and dropping it wherever, and they feel they should start inspecting everything that comes to the Transfer Station, except the green bags, and they suggested moving where things are dropped off so they can be more easily monitored. They also brought up the integrity of the green bags and stated that S. Mylly has reached out to the company regarding this. It was discussed that Casella will be the maintainer for the compactor, and A. Tanner will follow up on getting a contact person and a contract. The rates at the Transfer Station were also discussed, as well as the packing, covering, and picking up of the dumpsters. Cardboard is confusing to residents, and many of them are not breaking it down.
- 5. Discussion**
 - a. Rates:** J. Voccio made a motion to increase the rate for tires and rims to .20 cents per pound; K. Dykstra seconded the motion; and the rates for tires and rims will be .20 cents per pound effective January 1, 2024.
 - b. Weather Protocol:** The Board discussed having some protocol for being able to close the Transfer Station when the weather is bad. When the scale has snow on it, it cannot be plowed or cannot be treated, as that will cause damage. Kitty Litter is the only thing that works. It was discussed that the First Selectman is the one who would make the call to close the Transfer Station due to inclement weather and maybe T. Rukstela would be the back-up.
- 6. Other Business:** A. Tanner stated that L. Brodeur is now off the Committee and that the three selectmen were on it because there were no volunteers, and now we have some interest. The Committee consists of A. Tanner, J. Voccio, K. Dykstra, R. Ives, and M. Barry and R. Lee as alternates. The Board will move M. Barry as a regular member to fill L. Brodeur's spot. A. Tanner said he would make some telephone calls on this.
- 7. Public Comment:** None.
- 8. Adjourn:** J. Voccio made a motion to adjourn the meeting; K. Dykstra seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Mileski, Recording Secretary