

2013-11-13 BRRA Reg Mtg Minutes

**TOWN OF BROOKLYN
RESOURCE RECOVERY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 13, 2013
Brooklyn Town Hall
4 Wolf Den Road
7:00 p.m.**

1. **Roll Call:** Mike Barry, Bob Lee, Bob Benson and Tom Pallone. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m.

Absent: Randy Brumbaugh and Roger Pellerin with notice.

Staff Present: Rick Ives, First Selectman, Audrey Cross-Lussier, Recording Secretary, and Heather Coutras, Landfill Attendant.

Also Present: Gerry Galena, Division Manager, Casella Waste Systems.

2. **Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes October 9, 2013.**

A motion was made by Bob Lee to approve the meeting minutes of October 9, 2013. Bob Benson seconded this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

3. **New Business:**

- a. **Discussion of Casella Waste Contract Issue.**

Gerry Galena, Division Manager from Cassella Waste Systems was present at the meeting to discuss the ordering of extra toters. The contract states 2700 toters for the Town. It has become apparent that 50 more toters are needed for residents. The cost per toter is \$60. Commission members feel that the investment in the 50 toters up front is the way to go which will be the lowest cost to the Town. Also, when the contract is renewed this cost must be factored in. Discussion ensued. Mr. Galena will contact Chairman Barry with what the final cost will be to purchase the 50 toters.

Mr. Galena will have a 10 yard dumpster placed at the Transfer Station which will be designated only for recyclables.

Mr. Galena has invited Commission Members and Transfer Station employees to visit Casella Waste for a tour of the facility.

- b. **Budget:** There was no update given on the budget as Roger Pellerin was away on vacation. An update will be given at the December meeting.

- c. **Review of RMG Enterprise Reports for Electronic Waste 7/15/13, 8/5/13 and 8/9/13.**

Commission members reviewed the reports. Ms. Coutras stated that about every 2 weeks the Pod is full and is picked up. Report dated 7/15/13 Quantity – Televisions 1561 lbs., Monitors 2606 lbs., Computers 18 lbs., Printers

1060 lbs., and non-covered devices 711 lbs. Report dated 8/5/13 – Televisions 3437 lbs., Monitors 376 lbs., Computers 0 lbs., Printers 193 lbs., and non-covered devices 1056 lbs. Report dated 8/9/13 Televisions 1734 lbs., Monitors 420 lbs., Computers 108 lbs., Printers 149 lbs., non-covered devices 1325 lbs.

d. Review of Annual Municipal Recycling Report.

Commission members reviewed the report dated July 1 2012 through June 30, 2013. Discussion ensued.

e. Town Garbage Disposal.

Discussion was held with regards as to where the Town garbage must be disposed. The garbage cannot be dumped into the bulky waste roll-off; it must be placed in the household waste garbage roll off which is picked up by Casella within 48 hours. Selectman Ives will discuss this issue with Randy Brouillard.

f. Paint Collection.

Chairman Barry discussed with Commission Members whether or not the Transfer Station should become a paint collection center.

g. Transfer Station Hours.

Commission Members discussed the possibility of increasing the hours of operation at the Transfer Station.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Bob Benson to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. Bob Lee seconded this motion. No discussion held. All in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

Audrey Cross-Lussier
Recording Secretary