

MINUTES  
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
RUTLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT  
BUSINESS MEETING  
January 4, 2012



MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brandon	Gabe McGuigan	Poultney	
Castleton	Tim Gilbert	Proctor	
Clarendon	Robert Bixby	Rutland City	Bruce Bentley
Danby			Tom Bixby
Hubbardton	Mike Whitmore		
Ira	Larry Taggart	Killington	
Mendon		Wallingford	
Mt. Holly	Paul Nevin	Wells	
Mt. Tabor		West Rutland	Sean Barrows
Pittsford	John Weeden		

OTHERS PRESENT:

James O’Gorman, District Manager	Randy Dapron Casella Waste Management
Deane Wilson, RCSWD	Joyce Segale, RCSWD

Chairman Mr. Bentley called meeting to order at 6:35 P.M. with quorum present

1. SET AGENDA

Mr. Bentley asked that Old Business A. be moved up so that Mr. Dapron could present his information.

5a. CASELLA WASTE MGT. SINGLE STREAM FOR MRF update

Mr. Dapron distributed educational literature on zero sort recycling that had been requested at a previous meeting. A tour of the retrofit underway at the MRF was provided by Mr. Joe Soulia and Mr. Dapron. Q & A was exchanged throughout the tour.

Mr. Dapron mentioned that he had provided Mr. O’Gorman with a copy of the MRF lease with attached amendments. Mr. O’Gorman stated that he hadn’t had time to review it. Mr. Nevin asked about the financial cost of processing recyclables. Mr. Dapron said that the numbers wouldn’t be ready until the MRF had a chance of running for a month so that the cost of processing could be analyzed. Discussion followed on possible scenarios at the transfer stations that would maximize collection and minimize transport of material.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES SEPTEMBER 7, 2011 MEETING

Motion by Mr. Taggart to accept Sept. 7, 2011 minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Weeden. Motion passed unanimously.

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF AUGUST 2011

Mr. O’Gorman stated trash tonnage was more than budgeted but still less than previous years. Market prices for commodities have fluctuated. Mr. O’Gorman provided a managers report that provided more information on the finances. Mr. Taggart moved to accept the financial statements. Mr. Bixby provided the second. Motion passed unanimously.

4. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC –

No public in attendance

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Casella Waste Mgt. Single Stream MRF Update

Information was discussed previously.

B. Casella Lease

Information was discussed previously.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. VLCT HEALTH INSURANCE

Mr. O’Gorman stated that he had attended a recent meeting held by VLCT concerning future health insurance issues. The District has been covered through Cigna which will end at the end of the year. Review of plans offered through BC/BS and MVP are being reviewed.

The thought was raised that the federal health insurance program starting in 2014 creates an uncertainty for many companies.

B. VERMONT SOLID WASTE DISTRICT MANAGER’S ASSOCIATION - TOPICS

The following topics were discussed at the recent manager’s meeting:

Funding for solid waste infrastructure, one topic involved unclaimed deposit monies

Increasing the state solid waste tax

Bottle bill

Landfill Bans

Mr. Barrows suggested that any movement on the bottle bill be postponed until a review of how zero-sort would impact the recycling stream. Mr. Bentley asked how landfill bans and the optimal concept for waste management were related.

7. ADJOURN

Mr. Taggart moved to adjourn at 7:40 pm. Mr. Barrows provided the second. The motion passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted  
Deane Wilson

