

Town of Thompson
Transfer Station Advisory Committee
Minutes – Meeting of February 26, 2015

The Transfer Station Advisory Committee held a Regular Meeting on Thursday, February 26, 2015 in the Merrill Seney Community Room.

Those in attendance: Karen Durlach, Paul Horanzy, Al Landry, Lynn Landry, David Ostowski, Orla McKiernan-Raftery, Finance Director, and Leo Adams, Director of Public Works.

Meeting Moderator: *Al Landry made a motion, seconded by Lynn Landry, to nominate Karen Durlach as Moderator. All in favor, motion carries.*

Lynn volunteered to record the minutes.

Approve Minutes: *Motion made by Al Landry, seconded by Karen Durlach, to accept the January 22, 2015 Minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carries.*

Correspondence: None.

Information from the Director of Public Works: The purpose of today's meeting was to review the fees on fee items (tires, propane tanks, etc.). Leo and Orla reviewed the fees with us. The consensus was that the fees are in line with expenses associated with handling and disposal. There are price fluctuations for various materials. The primary goal is to reduce our costs by encouraging more recycling. There is not sufficient Staff time to inspect MSW for recyclables.

Motion made by Al Landry, seconded by Lynn Landry, to send a letter to the Board of Selectmen asking that funds generated by the Transfer Station be used to replace Transfer Station equipment. All in favor, motion carries.

Annual Reports from Winston Averill to CT DEEP have been submitted.

The camera at the gate has effectively reduced illegal dumping, especially of televisions.

Recycling, Education and Trash Reduction Effort: We discussed the Household Hazardous Waste Day. Leo will schedule this in the Spring to be held at the Highway Garage. We will emphasize the collection of "bad" gasoline.

We discussed the Annual Tour for the Third Grade Class. Leo will contact Winston Averill and Lynn will get dates from the School.

We discussed the Transfer Station Staff identifying vehicles which appear to be collecting for multiple households, having a camera at the MSW to capture large users, and sending a letter for the next permit cycle regarding Multiple Household Permits.

Leo will ask Josh Butts to utilize the Violation Forms. We agreed that Josh does an excellent job at the Transfer Station.

There was a brief discussion of outsourcing and it was the consensus to keep the system as it is.

The need for a new compactor was discussed.

Citizens' Comments: No citizens were present.

Comments from Committee Members: No further comments.

Set Next Meeting Date & Agenda: We will meet on March 26, 2015 if needed.

Adjournment: *Motion made by Karen Durlach, seconded by Al Landry, to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. All in favor, motion carries.*

Respectfully Submitted, Lynn Landry