

May 10, 2023

Solid Waste & Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes

Department of Public Works building

Meeting called to order at 7:05

Committee in Attendance:	Stacy Dion	Chair
	Phil Coombs	DPW Director
	Kevin St. James	Representative BOS
	Mark Goddard	Member
	Glen Milhomme	Member
	Chuck Margosian	Member
	Lisa Perrault	Public Works Administrative Assistant

Not in Attendance: Elsa Voelcker Member

Other Attendee: Laurie Szwed BOS

Motion made by Mark G. and seconded by Chuck M. to approve and accept the meeting minutes from 12April2023. All in favor.

Updates/ Current Issues: The committee discussed the current issues and what could be done to better communicate with people in the town.

Educating the residents is top priority.

Sending a Letter to the Editor – Carriage Town News

Working with the schools to involve the children.

Reach out to Paul, is there something that can be worked into the Camp Program?

How to address roadside trash collection problems.

Establish the collection point for recyclables.

Better utilizing the town Webpage, Social Media and the Talking Trash Newsletter

“Help Keep Kingston Beautiful” movement – addressing the roadside trash collecting, organizing a structured pickup utilizing specific bags (distinct color for the event), partner with another group for funding of the bags.

Waste Management (WM) will have a tent during Kingston Days on Saturday only from 10 – 3pm, Stacy will talk with other committees’ in town for help to potentially have the WM tent available Sunday as well.

Talk of adding the WM graph that shows monthly cost and tonnage, applied to the town website and working more diligently to post to the Talking Trash Facebook page.

Has anyone seen the Power Point presentation running on the Town's TV station? Considering adding the presentation to the Public Works and Talking Trash Facebook pages and the Town Website.

Action Item: Stacy to send presentation to committee.

Tax Insert:

The proposed tax insert was reviewed. The insert was updated to include a better picture of aluminum foil with food waste on it and some minor rewording of the letter. Chuck asked if the insert needed to be attached to the contract.

Motion by Stacy to accept tax insert. Second by Phil. All in favor.

Next Step:

The Committee discussed potential next steps. It was determined that updating the Ordinances to reflect current conditions would be the first step.

Action Item: Phil and Chuck M. will re-word Ordinance 406.

Action Item: Committee members will individually review Ordinances 501, 502, 503, and 504 and submit recommended amendments to Stacy D. and to be reviewed at the June meeting.

Motion to adjourn and seconded at 8:39pm.

Next Meeting will be held on June 14th at the Department of Public Works.