

Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting of November 13, 2019, 12 pm. Hartland Town Hall, New Brunswick

Attendance:

Elaine English Joe Weston Leonard Foster Keith Helmuth Carl Rattray Luc Marcoux Jim Kennedy Tracey DeMerchant

Regrets:

Keith Helmuth

Staff:

Barb Sharp (Waste Diversion Manager) Katelyn McGrath (Executive Director)

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 by Elaine English.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Leonard Foster and seconded by Jim Kennedy.

No Opposed

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Tracey DeMerchant and seconded by Joe Weston to approve the meeting minutes from March 5, 2019.

No Opposed

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Business Arising:

- Elaine English and Katelyn McGrath introduced and welcomed Barb Sharp in her new role at the WVRSC.
- Barb Sharp and Katelyn McGrath explained that the recycling facility contract with J.S. Bellis Ltd. (FERO) is close to being finalized, as per a November 5 meeting to review the latest version. The final contract will be shared with the Committee and then the Board.
- Barb Sharp offered to arrange a tour of the recycling facility in the near future, based on the interest of the Committee for educational purposes.
- Barb Sharp and Katelyn McGrath shared observations from their November 5th tour of the recycling sorting station. Household participation is up, however there are still noncompliant materials such as film plastics, coffee cups and plastic bags coming into the sorting facility. These items do not necessarily contaminate the materials but create extra work and delays in the sorting process.
- Barb Sharp and Katelyn McGrath shared they were exploring the possibility of offloading the spare recycling depots for either scrap metal or repurposing by Sharpe's Salvage. J.S. Bellis will have Sharpe's look at one to provide an estimate on what they might be worth. There were 21 depots in total. 7 are currently in public locations. We would keep an extra two for swapping purposes, for a total of 9. McCain Foods and the Town of Hartland expressed an interest in having 1-2, and we will follow-up on this.
- Barb Sharp provided an update on the Green Cones. 55 were acquired in May 2019. 16 have been sold to-date, with 39 still available for purchase. With winter approaching, we don't anticipate interest until the spring when composting promotions and workshops begin again.

New Business:

• In the spring of 2019, The Town of Florenceville-Bristol secured 4 depot bins for use at their 4 community schools, assuming all disposal and maintenance fees, with the intention that the schools would use these depots for their recycling. This is happening, but it has been noticed that the bins are also being used by the general public and some commercial businesses. Barb Sharp and Katelyn McGrath discussed the possibility of a pilot project with CNHS, providing the high school with 10 blue tip carts instead which could be stored inside the school and taken outside for pick-up once/month by Kearney's.



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A motion was made to approve the purchase of 10 tips carts by WVRSC for the pilot project at CNHS by Joe Weston and seconded by Leonard Foster.

No Opposed

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• Katelyn McGrath indicated that a few residents in the Skiff Lake area have requested the blue depot currently located in Canterbury be relocated to Skiff Lake.

A motion was made to leave the depot in its current location in Canterbury by Luc Marcoux and seconded by Jim Kennedy.

No Opposed

MOTION CARRIED

 Barb Sharp and Katelyn McGrath provided the Committee with an update on the government's desire to move ahead with a PPP program (Paper and Printed Plastics), and will invite the Committee to an upcoming information session hosted by Roland Leblanc, Director of Solid Waste, Southeast Regional Service Commission once the date is established.

It was moved by Carl Rattray to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 pm.

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Elaine English, Chair