

ARSWC MAY 2018 Meeting Minutes

Present: *John Hinds, Bill Nickerson, Roz McLean, Ros Arienti, Paul Schlein*

Guest: *Karen McNaughton*

- *Start time: 5:55* *End time 7:45*

Approve: *April Minutes – done*

Approve *Special Budget Meeting Minutes – done*

Approve: *Summer schedule – done – send out after Memorial Day*

Question and Answer with Karen McNaughton -Casella

- Quick overview – *Recycling Commodity Update May 2018*
 - Impacts on recycling in the US
 - China has banned 24 types of material – biggest impact to US is the ban of mixed paper
 - Finished (baled and ready to send off) recyclables need to be 0.5% from industry standard of 3%
 - Glass – crushed (fine as sand) is being used in other ways: road construction, repair, filtration needs or fill
 - Plastics – not much needed, warehouses are full!
- Holding on to their mission of sustainable. Not disposing of any recyclables!
- Fee schedule - no longer a straight fee
 - Monthly ACR
 - Each month how much shipped in each separated commodity. How much paid and received
 - OCC – old corrugated cardboard
 - Chart payment – not including cost
 - Gate rate (no contract) - pay whatever the going rate is at West Bath transfer station, currently \$120/ton – changes regularly
 - With contract, maximum cost to town would be \$110/ton, unless the ACR goes negative, which it could do
 - KM suggests a year to year contract – formula remains the same regardless of contract time.
 - New technology is in the works for new markets for recyclables. This is going to take some time (at least a year)
- Contract – Karen McNaughton can add an Opt Out Clause
“Should ACR exceed \$110 the town choose to opt to out” as protection for town.
Roll Over Clause- At end of first year, should the town choose to continue, we can roll over to following year.
 - Karen *McNaughton* will prepare and send to us by end of May
 - Contract starts July 1st
- Two recycling streams – glass and mixed papers
 - Being watched and may be removed from recycling

KM will drop off “Keep These Items Out” flyers so we can distribute at town meeting.

NOTE – Coated Paper Items not accepted

- Aseptic containers not acceptable.
- Plastic Coated paper

Town Meeting- short blurb about increase in recycling costs

- Select Board trying to keep meeting short. Asking every committee to reserve time to question and answer about warrant instead of a presentation
- Have prepared statement about increase in recycling cost
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Compost bin pick up- June 8 at Bath Public Works (check time with Victor), June 9 at Town Hall

- No need for town wide e-mail, we will contact individuals

Video for website (Paul K)

- Table until next meeting

Brochure thoughts?

- Table – need to review new Casella brochure and then update ours.
- Remove pricing information
- “Recycling is environmentally responsible”
- Suggestion to alphabetical – wait on this

Member Appointments-June

- Barbara Boyce will come to June meeting

Shed Update

- *All is good*

RC Rogers –

- *No contract yet?*

Boat Shrink Wrap

- Can be used as flip chart on the water

Fiberight – take recycling and trash – becomes biofuel

- *Need to look into this*

*Respectfully submitted,
Ros Arienti*