

**Solid Waste Management Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday August 14, 2019
Canoe Brook Senior Center**

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Present: Paul Muniz (Chairman), M. Barbour, J. Brown, A. St.Thomas, J. Rollo

Meeting called to order at 7:50 PM.

Motion to approve Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2019 meeting made by M. Barbour, seconded by J. Rollo. Motion carried, minutes approved.

Commission members discussed future meeting procedures, Chairman to determine if Commission can produce future meeting minutes typed directly by one member during each meeting.

Chairman's Report

Update on recycling contract claims by All American Waste:

- Chairman Muniz reported on July 11, 2019 meeting attended with First Selectman and representatives of All American Waste, LLC (AAW) to address claims for additional payment related to non-conforming ("contaminated") recyclable bottle and can loads delivered to AAW from transfer station.
- AAW has charged \$85 /ton for contaminated recyclables rather than budgeted \$30/ton, and charged \$85/ton for paper and cardboard rather than making \$30/ton payment to Town.
- AAW claim has been presented in open invoices without notification of contaminated loads at time of delivery.
- Town will require staff to process loads on station floor before placing in rolloff containers.
- Town to notify AAW of known loads with >5% trash included in recyclable material
- Town awaiting AAW documentation methods to define future contaminated recyclable loads.
- Commission recommended that dumped loads be photographed for cost assignment to curbside collector if necessary, or to support accurate notification to AAW.
- Curbside collector should be reminded to use stickers on contaminated recyclable loads and not pick up rather than contaminating recyclable loads.
- Commission favors designation of foreman or supervisor to ensure proper condition of outgoing recyclable loads.
- Chairman to inquire about status of any back charges to curbside collector.

Routine Tasks

- Chairman to check on status of: Quarterly recycling report, Annual DEEP report, monthly stormwater inspection, Quarterly stormwater sampling, Landfill groundwater monitoring.
- Condo credits were issued

New Initiatives

- New initiatives will be delayed until appropriate staff resource is hired by Town.
- Commission favors acquisition of full or part-time regulatory and compliance specialist.

- Initiatives include “free pickup only” (Waste Zero/SMART); textile recycling (SIMPLE); and publicity for food waste recycling.

Membership

- Commission will need replacement for S. Kelly.
- Need to determine status of R. Lasky

Motion to adjourn by A. St. Thomas, seconded by J. Brown. Adjourned at 9:12PM