

Transfer Station Committee
Thursday, February 1, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.
River House

Committee Members present: Robert Bennett, Mike Birner, Vincent Ceceri, Gregory Egnaczyk, James Jansky, and Robert Morsch (Chairman)

Guests Present: Beth Lunt (Public Works Director); Emmett Lyman (First Selectman); Irene Morsch (secretary)

1. Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Robert Morsch; Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Reviewed and acceptance of minutes of 1/18/18 meeting.
3. New Business

Received and accepted letter of resignation by James Rogers.

Voted Vincent Ceceri as a regular member of the committee.

Discussed town meeting - Selectman government.

Discussed results of 2009 and 2013 transfer committees' reports.

Beth Lunt presented a detailed Transfer Station revenue chart. Also discussed plan to self-transport recyclables, MSW and bulk waste with a possible savings of \$100,000 annually. This would require purchase of a truck to haul dumpsters at a cost of \$140,000-\$160,000. This cost would be recovered in 1.5 years.

There were various discussions on reducing costs at the Transfer Station. There was an extensive discussion of the SMART program presented by DEEP on 1/18/18 and the resultant decrease in MSW and increase in recyclables.

The committee discussed their visit to our transfer station and Bob Morsch discussed his follow-up visit. There was a discussion of several neighboring transfer stations and how they handle MSW and recyclables. Bob Morsch will schedule a TSC visit to Portland.

Other topics discussed were:

- a possible three-month trial limiting unauthorized access to bulk waste containers
- adding plastic film to recyclables
- an educational program in schools on the benefits of recycling
- use of PPT presentations to demonstrate proven increases in recycling when paired with a “pay as you throw system”
- control of littering through citations with a corresponding review board

4. Audience of Citizens: None

5. General Discussion:

Next Meeting: February 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the River House

6. Adjournment: There being no additional business to discuss, a motion was made by Bob Morsch, seconded by Robert Bennett to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Unanimous ayes.