

Transfer Station Committee (TSC) – New Municipal Building

Thursday, March 1, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

Accepted Minutes

Committee Members present: Robert Bennett, Mike Birner, Vincent Ceceri, Greg Egnaczyki, James Jansky, Robert Morsch (chairman)

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

1. Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Bob Morsch.

2. Review and acceptance of minutes of 2/15/18 meeting.

3. New Business:

(a) Bob thanked Vinnie Ceceri for his detailed notes of the visit to the Portland TS. The notes were distributed and discussed at length and a comparison was made between the operations and budgets for the Portland and East Haddam transfer stations.

(b) James Jansky asked if his company could dump their trash at Essex (closer) or Willimantic (farther) if he pays the tipping fee. The answer was yes.

(c) There was extended discussion on whether the haulers will continue to use the TS, with or without East Haddam paying the tipping/transportation fees, and when this would be implemented, allowing time for a smooth transition.

(d) A **motion** was made, seconded and approved 4-1 to recommend providing mandatory, free TS stickers for resident or taxpayer vehicles. The town hall will issue the stickers after checking if the person is qualified based on a driver's license, car registration, property tax record or other documentation deemed appropriate. The use of a bag system for disposing of MSW by residents was recommended.

(e) A **motion** was made, seconded and approved 4-1 recommending the First Selectman or Selectmen to allow ONLY haulers to use the back for dumping. It was deemed both a safety hazard and a deterrent to recycling by residents' use.

Other topics discussed were:

(A) Only residents can dispose of construction debris if they don't use a contractor.

(B) The cost and sizes of the bags will be discussed at a later time.

(C) Mike Birner will provide a tour of the Essex TS on Monday, 3/5/18 for anyone able to attend. He will email the TSC with a time. *(Mike sent an email on 3/2/18 and a starting time of 10:00-10:15 a.m. was confirmed.)*

(D) The 60-day draft report to the Selectman is due at the TSC meeting of 3/12/18.

4. Audience of Citizens: None

5. General Discussion:

Next Meeting: Was rescheduled from Thursday, 3/15/18 to Monday 3/12/18 at 7:00 p.m. at a location to be determined. At that meeting an alternate, permanent meeting date for the third Thursdays of the months will be discussed.

6. Adjournment: There being no additional business to discuss, a motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

(NOTE: THE TSC MEETING FOR MONDAY, 3/12/18 AT 7:00 P.M. WILL BE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, ONE PLAINS ROAD, MEETING ROOM 4. THIS WAS CONFIRMED ON 3/6/18.)