



CITY OF DOVER

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: 271 Mast Road, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: **Thursday, December 8, 2022**
Meeting Time: **6:00 pm**

Members Present: Chairman Gary Gilmore, Vice Chairman Dave Dinzeo, Lynn Peterson

Members Absent: Council Liaison, Michelle Muffet-Lipinski, Kate Surman, Doug Kemp

Alternate Members Present: Deb Clough, Tim Casey

Alternate Members Absent: Chris Sleys

Staff Present: Mike Moore, Solid Waste Coordinator, Nancy Usbelger, Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:59 pm.

2. Citizens Forum (5 min. max.)

Citizen has noticed the city has been using totters at different places throughout the city?

Moore stated they are issued to apartment buildings with some 4 units or above depending on how many tenants there are, we approximately have 248 totters currently being used. We have been providing them since 2005.

Tim Casey arrived at 6:03 pm.

Citizen asked when the date of the contract will be ending with Waste Management?

Moore answered there are around two years left of the contract with Waste Management.

Christine Baber one of the co-leaders of the Dover Plastic Reduction Group spoke about products that you can buy without plastic and ways to eliminate plastic. Looking to work with our committee and help with any way possible to help eliminate plastic and reduce pollution of all types.

Bill Baber who is on the Dover Energy Commission wanted to come and listen to what the committee has been working on.

Fran Method who lives at 16 Benjamin Way, before retiring she ran the recycling school program that the students ran. She has noticed residents don't know how to recycle properly because they haven't been educated. Would like to help out and volunteer at the recycling center to help educate residents as well as maybe some additional signage at the recycling center. Her goal is for Dover GreenWave to really be Green.

3. Approval of Minutes from October 20, 2022

Motion: Dinzeo made a motion to approve the minutes, Kemp seconded.

Vote: U/a

4. Monthly Update – No Financials



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5. Recycling Center

A. Dump Trailers

Moore stated the leaf season is almost over for this year, and it's been very helpful to go to a local composting place that's only a 15-minute trip. We hauled 45, 40-yard containers during the month of November, 225 tons of leaves give or take. There was one week we hauled over 20 cans.

Moore also talked about the dump trailers that have been coming in have been getting bigger and bigger. The scale we use is 18 ft long. Some of the trailers are so large that some of the material is being dumped over the back of the cans as well as dragging items such as nails, wire, etc. down where everybody else is trying to use the construction area. He would like to propose that we don't except any dump trailers that are bigger than a 12 ft box length and tongue 3 ft. He would put a sign with an arrow at the twelve-foot mark on the scale and that's how we would measure it. We would give them two other options to dump their construction debris if their trailers are too big. Sometimes there are 4-5 people waiting for scale, because the trailers are too big and taking too long. He would like to please vote to drop the dump trailer size down to 12 ft. There are about 10-12 contractors that come in with large trailers. Suggests getting the word out through social media and flyers.

Motion: Casey made the motion to recommend to the City Manager to limit dump trailer box size to 12 ft
Gilmore seconded.

Vote: U/a

6. Curbside Collection

A. Leaf Collection Tonnage

Moore stated there was 114 tons of leaves curbside in a six week pick up and that used to be a month. He spoke about the Feasibility Study, we got 4 bids back and he is in the process of filling out an evaluation form. The study would take around 4 months from possibly starting in January – May.

7. New Business - None

8. Old Business

A. Code Enforcement Officer

Gilmore stated that the we recommend to Public Works we include a position into the budget.

Moore stated that the Enforcement Officer would be enforcing city ordinances including solid waste.

Motion: Kemp made a motion to ask Public Works to include a code enforcement officer into their budget presentation, Dinzeo seconded.

Vote: U/a

B. Election of Officers

Motion: Kemp made a motion to appoint Gilmore as the Chair and Dinzeo as the Vice-Chair, Dinzeo seconded.

Vote: U/a



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9. Set Future Meeting Date

Jan 12, 2022

10. Adjournment

Motion: Gilmore made the motion to adjourn at 7:11 pm, Dinzeo seconded.

Vote: U/a