



CITY OF DOVER

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: 271 Mast Road, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: **Thursday, September 12, 2024**
Meeting Time: **6:00 pm**

Members Present: Chairman, Dave Dinzeo, Gary Gilmore, Doug Kemp, Lynn Peterson, Council Liaison Debra Hackett

Alternate Members Present: Deborah Clough

Members Absent: Vice-Chair Kate Surman, Tim Casey

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

Residents: Genevieve Ellison, Bill Stafford

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Citizens Forum (5 min. max.)

None

3. Approval of Minutes of August 7, 2024

Motion: Peterson made a motion to approve the minutes, Gilmore seconded.

Vote: U/a

4. Old Business

A. Council Workshop with SWAC Presentation on 9/04

Members shared how well Dinzeo did at the presentation.

Hackett stated she feels the main issue is the understanding of how residents are going to pay for this.

Kemp shared that he felt the data was there to support and there was positive feedback from the council.

Dinzeo stated council would like SWAC to come up with a Utility Billing System. They would also need to figure out what size toters to offer residents, and if there will be a trash bag buy back.

Moore stated that the utility bill will be the same every month or quarterly. It will be unlike the water/sewer bill which is calculated on what the usage is every month. This fee should be a consistent fee depending on what you have for toters.

Peterson asked about what the options of the toters would be?

Dinzeo shared we are going to research different size toters to see what's working in other towns and cities.



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B. Hazardous Waste Day Update

Moore shared that there were 494 cars total, and 360 of them were from Dover. The bill was just over \$54,000. Most people waited about 20-25 minutes. The only issues were people showing up after the event was over.

Hackett asked what's the chance of offering an additional Hazardous Waste Day?

Moore stated it hasn't happened yet and it's really up to council if they want to have two days for Hazardous Waste Days.

5. Monthly Update

The financials were reviewed and discussed by staff.

6. Ad Hoc Committee Update

Hackett stated that residents need to know exactly what the utility bill is paying for and what fund it's coming out of.

Moore stated the numbers that we eventually charge for the toters needs to be lower than the private haulers in order for this transition to work.

Dinzeo would like to see all solid waste funds to be in one fund.

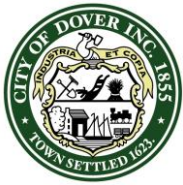
Dinzeo shared we have to decide on what options to offer. He suggested the following: Option A: 40-45 gallons for trash, 64 gallons for recycling and a permit for the transfer station. Option B: 30 gallons for trash, 64 gallons for recycling and a permit for the transfer station. Option C: If you have a private hauler then you would get a 64 gallon and a permit for the transfer center. Option D: just a permit for the transfer station.

Gilmore shared his thought was to buy the trash bag and bring it to some sort of drop off place as well as a recycling center.

Moore shared what other towns and cities are doing. Concord is still using the bag system and the toters. Some towns are totally eating the costs and others are being paid by resident's taxes. He shared that it's great that we are not the first city to go this route because we can use other towns as far as positive and negative issues that have occurred before Dover moves forward.

Peterson questioned if we did do offer a transfer station for trash can other towns bring their trash?

Kemp said they would need separate dumpsters for each town that has the right to use our facility.



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7. New Business

A. FY26 Budget Item Review

Motion: Kemp made a motion to recommend a code enforcement officer, Gilmore seconded.

Vote: U/a

Motion: Kemp made a motion to recommend an attendant for the recycling center, Gilmore seconded.

Vote: U/a

B. Apple Harvest Day – Oct 5th from 10-2 in City Hall

Dinzeo shared we are going to have three size toters with the survey to find out what residents are currently doing at this point with trash.

Clough would like to see the survey online in addition to Apple Harvest Day.

8. Set Future Meeting Dates

October 10, 2024

November 14, 2024

December 12, 2024

9. Adjournment

Motion: Casey made the motion to adjourn at 7:16 p.m., Clough seconded.

Vote: U/a