



CITY OF DOVER

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – MINUTES

REVISED

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

Members Present: Chairman, Dave Dinzeo, Vice-Chair, Kate Surman, Gary Gilmore, Lynn Peterson, Council Liaison Debra Hackett

Alternate Members Present: Deborah Clough, Tim Casey, Virginia Kristl

Members Absent: Doug Kemp

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

Citizens – Bill Stafford

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Dinzeo introduced the new alternate member, Virginia Kristl.

2. Citizens Forum (5 min. max.)

None

3. Approval of Minutes of November 14, 2024

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

Vote: U/a

4. Old Business

Dinzeo shared that he reached out to Chris Parker the Deputy City Manager about the composting grant, but there has been no change yet.

5. Monthly Update

Moore shared bag and tag sales by month, he stated that this November was the lowest sales month in the last two and a half years. He shared that we are in the process of grinding right now and should be done by the beginning of next week. Leaves were over 40 loads which is 250 tons of leaves in six weeks. He also shared that after Halloween, many residents put their pumpkins in the food waste bins which is fine but it does fill the bins up quickly. He did put up a sign at the center directing resident to put their pumpkins in with the yard waste instead. Curbside leaf pick up is over tomorrow, so all outstanding collections will be picked up by the end of next week. He spoke about removing the three containers that are in the yard waste positions. He has been directing residents to put their leaves on the other side of the barrier so they wouldn't get piled up. He has lost his three of his operators, so he is looking for more employees.

Dinzeo asked about the contamination of plastics?

Moore stated it hasn't been that bad.

Clough asked why sales of bags are down?



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Casey questioned October numbers seemed higher. So maybe there are residents who have bought more bags in case the price goes up in the near future.

Surman asked about other items that might be disposed in an abundance that cause problems?

Moore stated no its really just pumpkins.

Kristl asked is it something that Mr. Fox could help eliminate the issue?

Moore stated no not really.

Dinzeo shared about the meeting that was held on November 20th with himself, Johns Storer, Mike Moore, the City Manager and Waste Management about the contract extension as well as talked about missed pick-ups. The end of January there should be a decision. Dinzeo will give a presentation on January 8th at 7:00 pm at a council workshop. They talked about toters with the Dover Logo on it instead of Waste Management logo. He will give us more info on what the number will look like for that logo. The new position would do two jobs down the road.

Moore talked about getting some dates together Monday or Wednesday between 10-2 to go to MRF in Billerica, MA. He asked everyone to reach out to him with a couple of dates that would work any time after January 8th.

Peterson said she would coordinate and get possible dates to Mike Moore for the MRF trip.

Clough talked about Styrofoam recycling in Gilford. She also talked about the City-Wide Litter clean up that is scheduled for April 26th.

Gilmore shared the Christmas parade had a huge group for Don't Trash Dover and they did a great job.

Moore shared it would be nice to rebuild the Henry Law Park eating areas and put some nice trash cans.

6. New Business

A. Election of Officers

Motion: Gilmore made the Motion to keep Dinzeo as the Chair and Surman seconded.

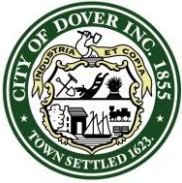
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Motion: Dinzeo made the motion to make Gilmore the Vice Chair, Surman seconded.

Vote: U/a

7. Set Future Meeting Dates

January 9, 2025



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8. Adjournment

Motion: Casey made the motion to adjourn at 7:02 p.m., Clough seconded.

Vote: U/a