



CITY OF DOVER

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: 271 Mast Road, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: **Thursday, January 8, 2026**
Meeting Time: **6:00 pm**

Members Present: Chair, Dave Dinzeo; Vice Chair, Doug Kemp; Gary Gilmore; Lynn Peterson; Katherine Surman

Alternates: Virginia Kristl

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

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm

Moore shared that April Richer will be the new Council Liaison for SWAC.

2. Citizens Forum (5 min. max.)

None

3. Approval of Minutes of December 11, 2025

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

Vote: U/a

4. Monthly Update

Moore went over and reviewed the reports.

Gilmore inquired about the City's population and whether it had increased and how much during the past year.

Kemp stated that it would be beneficial to track population growth and compare trash disposal and recycling. It would be interesting to go back 20 years.

Moore stated that the figures for bags and tag sales in December are normally higher due to the holidays.

Moore provided information regarding the recycling center, and next month he will have a total for the grinding. He stated that he is still trying to renovate the recycle center office. He stated they should be starting to paint it next week. They may also be replacing the flooring. He mentioned that they are seeing a lot of Christmas trees being brought to the recycling center this time of year. The trailer used to transport the electronic devices was swapped out for a brand-new one. They currently have a 22-foot instead of a 53-foot. Compared to their previous provider, the company they are using to pick up the electronics comes twice as frequently. They are performing wonderfully.

5. New Business

None



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6. Old Business

A. Upcoming Budget

Dinzeo stated that he had emailed the Director of Community Services, John Storer, to express his desire to attend the planned budget presentation. Dinzeo would want to update Council about the totter program and our desire for a full year of education beginning on June 30. On a few other matters, we also require council consent.

B. Ordinances

Dinzeo shared that the AdHoc will meet on January 14th again. We will discuss the ordinances.

Moore mentioned that he is working on the ordinance definitions, collection schedules, and restrictions. He eliminated container and dumpster storage, among other things. He has gone through most of them and hopes to finish his suggestions by next week.

Gilmore suggested to set up an informative booth with toters at all city buildings and offices in order to promote the upcoming garbage and recycling program.

Peterson suggested we should definitely put the start date on it.

C. Leaf Collection Update

Moore shared it will be about 118 tons total this year.

7. Set Future Meeting

February 26, 2026

March 12, 2026

April 9, 2026

8. Adjournment

Motion: Peterson made a motion to adjourn at 6:44 p.m., Kemp seconded.

Vote: U/a