

Draft minutes of Transfer Station and Recycling Review Committee: Meeting February 22, 2021

Attending by phone or logged in: Bob Lenzi, Doug Winter, Michael Amenti, Erin Paradise, Rick Spinale, Dan Peavey, and Peter Royce

Absent: Tracy Hardekopf

The meeting was opened at 2:32 pm.

The agenda items were sticker policy, an aerial view of the transfer station layout, and the contractor letter.

A contractor had asked if out-of-town debris could be dumped in Barrington at a premium fee. Since the town has a limited amount of space available, the proposal was rejected. Erin reported that she has had no response from the contractor letters that went out.

An updated version of the facility map was discussed. It was recommended that tires container and resident sand shed be numbered, the cars should be erased from the map, and entrance and exit designations be included.

Discussion began related to whether exemptions should be made to the sticker policy. Dan reported that about 1400 stickers have been distributed. He estimates that 8 or 9 people have voiced opposition to the stickers. Additionally, it was reported that some persons are asking for a third sticker. Some have offered to pay for the extra stickers. However, the committee once again decided that exemptions should not be allowed.

Erin asked for volunteers to check for stickers. It was suggested that persons without stickers receive a written notice of its requirement and the plate number taken for future reference. The committee continues to believe that without enforcement, our efforts have been wasted.

The minutes from February 1, 2021 were approved as written.

From our last meeting, the members of the committee continue to see value in links or lists to alternative disposal methods. That is where else can a resident dispose of a refrigerator or other item for which we charge a fee. Erin is seeking help with the list of alternatives. It was noted that any list or link will require updating as circumstances change.

It was decided that the fee schedule should be reviewed in July. The objective is to verify the pricing policy is fair.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2021 at 2:30 pm. Topics for continued discussion are stickers, a discussion of the aerial view of the transfer station, a sticker update, sticker enforcement, and possible identification of a new representative from the Select Board.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 pm.

Peter Royce