Draft minutes of Transfer Station and Recycling Review Committee: Meeting April 27, 2020

Attending by phone or logged in:, Michael Amenti, Bob Lenzi, Doug Winter, Darlene Harris, Erin Paradise, Tracy Hardekopf, and Peter Royce.

Absent: Rick Spinale

The meeting was opened at 2:32 pm. The minutes from April 6 were accepted as written.

Tracy suggested we set priorities. That is, determine what can be achieved in a set period of time.

Erin stated her priority is to work on a price list. Perhaps a pallet jack would help provide more consistency. The question was raised on how to handle loose loads in trucks and trailers.

Mike and Peter expressed interest in contacting Rollinsford because they left single stream and went back to sorting individual products. Erin and Darlene said going back would require more employees and storage space.

Erin noted that in March we recycled 34 tons and had 10 pulls. The recycle bill was about \$4446, and the pulls are \$125.59 each.

Erin will see if Pete LaChapelle (the Waste Management rep) would be available to join our next meeting. The question arose as to how much of our recycling material is actually getting recycled.

Mike asked if we could team up with the Library's social events to educate attendees on what can be recycled. It was recommended the Facebook page be changed.

Discussion ensued on signs. Doug suggested signs be placed over NRRA signs so the decorative parts of the NRRA signs continue to be exposed. Tracy suggested signs have the same size and font.

Saturdays have become very crowded. It is uncertain if that is related to the stay at home orders, but discussion followed on how to reduce the Saturday activity. Discussion ensued related to evening hours. Suggestions ranged from changing the hours to later in the day from the current ones to having a longer day of operation on a Tuesday or Thursday. It was noted that some people may not change their current habits. An informal survey would provide valuable information.

It was agreed that the current environment may not be appropriate for traffic studies.

Mike reported he is still looking for a drone to take photos.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 18th at 2:30 pm. Members of the committee are asked to present questions for Pete LaChapelle to Erin.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm.

Peter