

Solid Waste and Recycling Committee (SWRC) Minutes  
Wednesday, July 13, 2022, 5:30 PM  
Readfield Town Office and via Zoom

**Roll call and determination of quorum** – Members present: Kellie Hess, Eric Dyer, Kim King, Kathryn Mills Woodsum, Mike Carlson, Aaron Chrostowsky, Karen Peterson  
Public: No members present

**Review and Acceptance of April 13, 2022.** Motion to accept by Kim King; Second by Kathryn Mills Woodsum. **Vote to Accept: Unanimous**

**General Operations:** Eric discussed highlights of the Fourth Quarter Operational and Financial Update memo dated July 13, 2022 which includes:

- Break room relocated to MSW compactor office. MSW compactor office greatly improved due to work done on building
- Completion of concrete curbing repair in front of most bins/hoppers
- Fabrication and installation of metal gates for the Demolition bins and additional railing

Facility improvements in the queue:

- Installation of underground electric to the Attendant Booth. Permanent attachment of Attendant Booth to ground (currently on blocks)
- Repair underground electric to the e-waste container and extend underground service to the white goods area where a new utility pole and area lighting will be installed. This will cover the brush, organics and white goods areas

**Personnel:** The part-time backup staff person resigned in early April and it was about a month later when a replacement was hired. Some staff suffered extended sick days, but everyone worked to cover the gaps. There were some instances of repeated policy violations by a resident, who created safety hazards and disrespect to staff.

**Programming and Policy:** E-payment system is being used regularly. The 2.95% merchant fee is passed on to residents using the service. Some accounting anomalies were discovered and have been addressed. The swap shop is open. Kathryn and Kellie helped organize the space. Staff are better able to regulate what is dropped off, resulting in better quality items for re-use. Revisit the fee schedule as several informal changes have been made over the past few years, as well as disposal costs changing in new fiscal year with renewed tipping and hauling agreement with Waste Management (5 year term)

**Finances:**

- Revenues ahead of budget estimates by \$37,000; metal is nearly double the budget estimate
- Expenses were over budgeted amount by \$16,748

**Public Comment: No members of the public present**

**Household Hazardous Waste Day was held on Sunday, July 10 from 8-12**

Representatives from Readfield, Wayne, Mt. Vernon, and Belgrade were on hand. Vendor (EPI) has suggested timing for next year runs 9-12. Invite Vienna?

**New business:** Aaron requested that Business Directional Signs be added to Route 17. In addition, post a sign at the former entrance to indicate access is by proceeding to the next entrance.

Kathryn informed members that the Selectboard has adopted a policy of meeting in-person, if possible. Remote accommodations will still be made, if necessary, for health or travel reasons.

**Next Meetings - Wednesday October 12, 2022 at Ladd Recreation Center, Wayne, 5:30 pm**  
*Plan for 45 minutes segment to discuss Capital Budget and fee adjustments*

**Wednesday January 11, 2023, possibly in Fayette; back-up Readfield Town Office, 5:30 pm**  
*Plan for final review of Capital Budget, fee adjustments, FY24 Budget*

Meeting Adjourned at 6:43 pm