Solid Waste and Recycling Committee (SWRC) Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 11, 2023

5:30 to 6:48PM at Starling Hall in Fayette, 2769 Main Street (Rt. 17)

- 1. Roll call and determination of quorum. Members present: Amy Black, Mike Carlson, Eric Dyer, Kellie Hess, Bob Weimont, Kathryn Mills Woodsum
- 2. Review of minutes from July 12, 2023 (attached) Motion to approve by Amy, second by Kelli, vote 3-Yes, 2-Abstain due to absence.
- 3. Oral and written communications.
 - a. Readfield Transfer Station Manager report: Eric. See attached report.
 - i. General operations:
 - 1. Any issues that arose were dealt with as they occurred, which is an improvement.
 - 2. Summer hours went very well. Committee asked to have the hours advertised on the sign board at the beginning of May.
 - 3. A suggestion was made that we could consider cross-training a Fayette employee to serve as an emergency fill-in employee if needed.
 - 4. HHW collection was a huge success. Asked to have the materials more clearly identified that can be brought as well as those that are accepted year-round; see notes from July meeting minutes. Need to post the card from Staples for Recycling Items they accept.
 - 5. Stickers will be distributed to towns in December and implemented in January. Reminder that they must be affixed to the windshield I order to enter the facility. There are temporary passes available for vehicles that are used to carry waste on a one-time basis by contacting your town office.
 - ii. Recent changes
 - iii. Quarterly financial review: July September 2023
 - 1. Note that revenue figures provided did not include the payments made by the three member towns from taxes.
- 4. No members of the public were present to address the SWRC on issues pertinent to the agenda.
- 5. Unfinished business.
 - a. Capital items to be included in proposal for June 2024 warrant article. Needs to be ready for budget discussion in January.
 - i. We agreed to ask Eric to gather information from builders and/or contractors with some sort of cost estimates so we can evaluate whether to move forward with a cover for the bins.
 - b. Accommodations for senior citizens: have they been implemented and how is it going?
 - i. Going well. In the manager's report.
 - c. Stickers: have they been ordered, received, delivered, in use?
 - i. In the manager's report.
 - d. Updates on progress for changes to ordinance and policy for the stickers and accessibility
 - i. In the manager's report.
- 6. New business.
 - a. Annual Election of Officers.

- i. Chair: Kathryn Mills Woodsum, Readfield
- ii. Vice-Chair: Mike Carlson, Fayette
- iii. Secretary: Kim King, Wayne (If she accepts!)
- b. Update on employees. In the manager's report.

7. Set next agenda. (2 min.)

- a. Reminder we meet on the second Wednesday in January, April, July & October.
 - i. Wednesday January 10, 2024 at Readfield Town Office
 - 1. Budget review including capital project estimate for roof structure
 - ii. Wednesday April 10, 2024 in Wayne; location?
 - 1. Other

8. Adjournment.

Attachments: Minutes from July 12, 2023 including addendum

Approved: 1-24-24