## Minutes for Transfer Station Meeting 6/22/23 6:00pm @ Webster Hall

Attending: Ray Poulin, David Taylor, Walt Kilbreth, Hunter Lander, Janet White, Morgan Dunham Absent: Leanna Targett, Bob Carlton, Tina Poulin

Chairman Walter Kilbreth calls the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Motion to accept the previous meeting minutes made by Ray Poulin, seconded by Hunter Lander. 3 in favor (Morgan & Janet abstain – since they were not at the last meeting)

## **Review Financials:**

Leanna wasn't with us to explain this difficult budget. Concerns on going over budget on a couple of line items- the tipping fees and the hazardous materials were mostly discussed.

Chairman Kilbreth moved on to New Business: A cardboard bailer. Kilbreth says we should consider getting one to save on Waste Management fees... since the majority of the recycling bin is cardboard.

Kilbreth also wanted this board to seriously consider building a landfill... and maybe we could chip the cardboard and use it as chips for the landfill?

Poulin & White also discussed moving to curbside pickup for the towns- that has been considered for years by New Portland. White volunteers to do some research on landfills and what surrounding towns do to keep costs down on cardboard, compacting, etc. Kilbreth encourages the board to "Start looking outside the box".

Manager's Report: David Taylor says the TS has been extremely busy with lots of demo coming in. White asked how demo is dealt with... she says that years ago residents had to fill out a form if they were going to bring in several loads of demo. Taylor says that that's not how it's done anymore, and he just asks people when they come if they have a lot more.

Taylor also states that he doesn't think that cones- directing traffic- will work at all. He doesn't think people will wait in line that long and not everyone recycles. He just thinks that it will cause confusion and/or frustration.

- \*Status of the frozen water lines: Dave says that one of the spickets was bad and had it replaced and now it's working well. There's still not a lot of pressure on one end- but Warren Hinkley said that that's as good as it's going to get.
- \*Status of Mike Allen bringing trash: Taylor says that Allen comes every Saturday with 1/3 to  $\frac{1}{2}$  a load and he helps him unload it. Taylor has no issue with Allen coming.
- \*How is the new backhoe working out? Taylor says it's awesome. He's learning how to use all the functions. There was discussion on what to do with the old tractor... does Kingfield WW want it? How much is it worth?
- \*Discuss maintenance plan for new backhoe- Taylor suggests using Ray Poulin. The board agrees... but again, no motion was made. Poulin will come up with a plan and Taylor says he will do whatever Poulin comes up with.

## Other/Other:

Dunham suggested considering some help for Taylor at the TS... maybe someone to keep an eye on stuff that would be going into demo- but could maybe be saved for the swap shop? Kilbreth wondered if it would be worth paying someone to be there – maybe it wouldn't save that much in tipping fees.

Poulin brought up that he had been called this week with a complaint from a NP resident. Taylor said that he and this resident had had personal issues before and that he had spoken with Leanna about it. Leanna said the resident could be banned from the TS if Taylor wants that. Taylor hasn't banned him yet.

There was discussion on the next meeting date: 9/28. That works for everyone right now, but everyone agreed that they look for Leanna's emails for the reminders.

Motion to adjourn from Poulin, seconded by Lander.

Minutes provided by Morgan Dunham.