

Kingfield/New Portland Transfer Station Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 21, 2024; 6:00pm; 38 School Street; Webster Hall; Kingfield

Attendance:

Municipal Officers:, Ray Poulin, Kim Jordan, Morgan Dunham, Chris Rushton Bob Carlton, David Veilleux

Municipal Staff: Leanna Targett, David Taylor

Public:

Via Zoom:

Absent: Janet White

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

Chairman Dunham states that the only order of business is to discuss the DEP inspection report.

Chairman Dunham turns the meeting over to TM Targett. TM, Targett previously provided board with the report however she wanted to point out some items.

Only one attendant is on duty at this facility, which is of concern. TM, Targett says we need to consider hiring a second person again.

The area beneath the municipal solid waste (MSW) compactor is full of litter and leachate. It does not appear that any attempt is made to collect leachate discharging from the compactor unit (no bins or any sort of absorbent material). The area around the MSW compactor must be cleaned immediately in order to control vectors (insects, birds, and animals that can transmit disease to humans). Please provide a schedule in the facility's operations manual for cleaning the compactor bay, along with a facility inspection/maintenance checklist which lists the frequency of all inspection and maintenance tasks. Immediately begin using absorbent material, shallow trays with absorbents, etc. to collect any leachate discharging from the compactor unit. The used absorbent material must be placed in the compactor at the end of each day. Vortex will be coming to inspect on 11.4 and will clean up within 2 weeks of inspection.

Ash in the burn pile area exceeds 6 inches in depth. Mr. Taylor stated that ash from the burn area is moved to another ash pile near the grass line, with the fresh ash being added at the front of the pile (away from the grass). A covered, leakproof container for ash could not be located at the site. Mr. Taylor also stated that ash is loaded into the demo container for disposal at Norridgewock (Waste Management Disposal Services of Maine/Crossroads Landfill). The 2021 Annual Report for the Kingfield Transfer Station also indicates that ash is placed in the demo container. Mr. Taylor stated that ash is not tested for TCLP metals prior to disposal as required by Department rules. Crossroads Landfill has been made aware of this practice and will be in contact with the Kingfield Transfer Station regarding analytical requirements for acceptance of ash at their landfill. Testing is in the process of been completed, will need to await lab results, containers have been ordered and Jordan Excavation has been contacted for clean-up.

All inappropriate material must be removed from the burn pile prior to the next burn. The burn pile may not contain any of the following: treated wood (in addition to pressure treated wood, this includes plywood, particle board, and any other wood products that are chemically treated or contain adhesives), construction or demolition debris other than unpainted or painted wood, asphalt products, tires, white goods, brown goods, paper or cardboard, or refuse. The amount of painted wood should be limited, as it has been determined that burning of painted wood may result in ash that is hazardous

waste. Burning mattresses is prohibited. Ash must not be allowed to accumulate to a depth of more than 6 inches. Cooled ash must be placed in a covered, leakproof container. The ash pile onsite must be tested for TCLP metals per Chapter 405 of the Maine Solid Waste Management Rules. TM, Targett notes that the burn pile is shut down until further notice.

Updated burn pile and ash handling procedures must be added to the facility's operations manual. This has been completed.

Annual reports for 2022 and 2023 must be completed and submitted. This has been completed.

The inert debris pile contains metal, plastic, and PVC. All inert material (metal, PVC, plastic, toilet seats, etc.) must be removed from plumbing fixtures and other items before these items are placed into the inert debris pile. Metal, PVC, and plastic should be placed in the appropriate roll-off container at the transfer station.

Waste oil and antifreeze are collected in 50-gallon drums. The drums are located inside a lockable building and are stored on appropriate secondary containment. Mr. Taylor states that the drums are kept open, with funnels in them, at all times. There is a drum with a funnel in it located outside the building. The ground outside the building is stained black, indicating previous oil spills. Waste oil and antifreeze collection drums must be kept closed at all times except when used oil or antifreeze is being added or removed (funnels removed with bungs in place).

Weekly inspection reports for the universal waste storage area are not being completed. A template for this inspection report was located in the facility's operation manual. A new binder has been created for David to do this on a weekly basis. All universal waste containers, including those for e-waste (televisions, monitors, printers, etc.) must be labelled with the contents and accumulation start date as soon as anything is placed in the container. Labels have been created for this purpose.

Following further discussion TM Targett provided the board with a spreadsheet and informs the board that she has run the figures and there is a \$8,900.00 deficit (if not more) which is the cost for cleaning up all the issues. TM, Targett says it could be more.

David admits to the dumping of ash over the banking as he thought it would be no different than the ash that is sent down from the plants in Stratton. David says I know now it was wrong, and I won't do it again. David states that in the future he will be certain that everything is done correctly.

Bob Carleton suggests staying on the good side of DEP, He says now that we are on their radar we need to be careful.

Bob Carleton suggests that in the future everything is written down and documented. Bob says he is concerned about the cost as the UT budget has almost doubled.

David Veilleux suggests getting some trays that could be placed under the MSW container to collect the leachate. He will make some calls and will follow up on this with Leanna.

The board begins to discuss Commercial Haulers but is instructed to have this item on the agenda for the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Bob Carleton. Seconded by Ray Poulin. All in favor.

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