

Kingfield/New Portland Transfer Station Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 27, 2024; 6:00pm; 38 School Street; Webster Hall; Kingfield

Attendance:

Municipal Officers: Ray Poulin, Janet White, Morgan Dunham, David Veilleux, Wade Browne

Municipal Staff: David Taylor

Public: Dave Cary and Cora Veilleux

Via Zoom: Leanna Targett

Absent: Kim Jordan, Chris Rushton, and Bob Carlton

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

The board reviews the meeting minutes. Janet White says she would like the minutes to reflect that she stated that the demo container should not be used for trash because of leakage. Motion to accept minutes as amended by Ray Poulin, seconded by Janet White. Motions passed 4 to 1 abstain.

The board reviews the financials. Janet White asks if there is anything that they should be made aware of. TM, Targett says no. A question is asked if the closing of demo is helping to cover the Additional cost of ash removal. TM, Targett says yes, she just does not know if it is enough. Upon further review Janet White makes a motion to accept the financials as presented. Seconded by Ray Poulin. All in Favor.

Manager's Report: David Taylor says the transfer station is as good as can be expected. There was a mechanic problem with the msw container where he noticed some fluids that had leaked from the compactor. He contacted the company immediately to diagnose the problem and they ended up taking the cylinder out. Right now, they are determining if it can be welded or if a new one is needed. This is what pushes the ram. He has not received an update or cost as of yet to provide to the board. Dave says they know we need it as soon as possible. Wade Browne states that he hopes that the cost is looked at as it may make more sense to just purchase new then to patch it. Janet asks if this is why the demo container had been used for trash as she was not notified about this, and five residents had contacted her. She asked about seepage. Dave says it may have some, but he thinks this is a short-term fix. Janet says she would like to be notified in the future. Wade Browne asks if David has cleaned up the hydraulics that have leaked. David says yes, the best I can for now as a lot is frozen. I plan to get some kitty litter or pads. Wade Browne suggests asking the fire department - Fred or Kippy - for some of the pads they use for spills.

Old Business: The board reviews a spreadsheet on ash costs. It is noted that the town has still not received a bill for testing.

New Business: Chairman Dunham notes that Dale Gilmour is not present to discuss options for brush.

The next item of business is to discuss commercial haulers. Dave is asked who there are for commercial haulers. Dave says Mike Allen, Happy Horseshoe Campground, Alex Renshaw, Elderly Housing, building contractors. Chairman Dunham asks how often these people bring loads to the transfer station. Dave says sometimes weekly. The board discusses discontinuing these individuals from using the transfer station. The board suggests notifying them in writing by giving them 30 days. The Board reviews current TS ordinance and determined that amendments may be initiated by a majority vote of the Kingfield — New Portland Transfer Station Solid Waste

and Recycling Committee provided that they conduct a public hearing on any proposed amendment. The board discusses holding a public hearing followed by a board meeting on Thursday May 15th with changes taking effect by Memorial Day or June 1st. A motion is made to hold the public hearing in the town of Kingfield for everyone on May 15th by Dave Veilleux. Seconded by Ray Poulin. All in favor.

Next item of business is to discuss draft one of ordinance revision. TM, Targett says this does not have to be completed tonight as there are many changes to review. She suggests that it be listed on upcoming meetings for discussion. The board agrees to this.

The board reviews a new sticker concept. Wade Browne says that he likes all of it but the date. He fears that money will be wasted if there is a date printed on them. The board agrees to this. The board discusses the purchase of stickers July 1st during the new budget cycle and for a statement such as August 1st check with your town office if stickers are available. It is agreed that the town offices and the Transfer Station would alert individuals when they are available. A deadline is discussed but is not determined to be necessary at this time.

The board discusses the demo day(s) concept with residents paying to throw. Dave Veilleux says he has concerns with the 55-gallon bag cost and feels it should be better defined. He also suggests the name of Bulky Waste Day. Wade Browne says he feels that people should pay for what they throw if they did it would help the transfer station budget. Following further discussion, it is agreed that this concept would be discussed at the public hearing as well as stickers and the burn pile.

Public Comment & Other: A notation was made that the Recycling of glass was allowed (again) January 30, 2025.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Janet White. Seconded by Ray Poulin. All in favor.

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