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April 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes

To: Cynthia Browning, Nick Zaiac, Stu Hurd, Rob Gaiotti, Rickey Harrington, John O'Keefe, Tom Shuey, Mark Lourie, Karen Dzialo, Chris Reynolds, Dave Kiernan, Nancy Bushika, Dixie Zens

Cc: Jim Sullivan, Andrea Lenhardt, Ryan Thurber

From: Michael S. Batcher and Paula Kamperman

Subject: **April 28, 2021 Draft Meeting Minutes**

Date: May 11, 2021

Town Representatives: Nick Zaiac (Arlington), Stu Hurd (Bennington), Rob Gaiotti (Dorset), John O'Keefe (Manchester), Karen Dzialo (Sandgate), Dave Kiernan (Shaftsbury), Dixie Zens (Sunderland), Nancy Bushika (Stamford)

Total of 8 towns and 21 votes

Not in Attendance: Rickey Harrington (Glastenbury), Tom Shuey (Pownal)¹, Mark Lourie (Rupert), Chris Reynolds (Searsburg), Woodford representative

BCRC Staff: Michael S. Batcher

Outreach Program Manager: Paula Kamperman

Members of the Public: Paul Hansen, Ecopixel

¹ Tom tried several times but was unable to sign in.

Location and Time: Remote meeting via ZOOM – 4:00 to 5:30 PM

Introductions: Once we had enough members on the call, Dixie, as chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 4:07 PM.

Approval of the Minutes: Stu moved, and Nick seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2021.

Election of Officers: Every spring we need to elect officers. John O’Keefe moved that the same slate of Dixie Zens as chair, Nancy Bushika as vice chair, Stu Hurd as Treasurer and Rob Gaiotti as Secretary be re-elected. Stu seconded and that resolution was adopted unanimously.

BCRC Contract for July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2020: Michael reviewed the contract between BCSWA and BCRC for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. We are near the finish of the current contract. The total amount is \$205,650.00. That will cover the services BCRC provides to help implement the November 2020 SWIP. He also explained that he would like separate agreements for 1) the asphalt shingle facility to be created at the Bennington Transfer Station and 2) a permanent household hazardous waste facility. BCSWA received that grant this past week and the towns will need to provide matching funds for both. Given that the time frames for these and the BCRC contract all differ, separate agreements will be needed. Stu suggested we discuss these at our next meeting.

Staff Reports: Paula briefly summarized her work since February which has included working on the revised website. We hired Terrier Tenacity in Colorado to help us revise the BCSWA website.

2021 HHW Events: The 2021 event in Bennington will be at Mt. Anthony Union Middle School on May 8th from 9 AM to 1 PM. The fall Dorset event is scheduled for September 11th at the Dorset School from 9 AM to 1 PM. Michael has been working with VT AOT to hold an event for Stamford and Searsburg at the AOT facility on Route 100 in Readsboro. That is scheduled for July 24, 2021 from 9 AM to 1 PM.

Hauler Registration: Michael reminded everyone to register their haulers. There are likely new ones, some of which may offer food scrap collection.

Interlocal Contract: Michael reminded the towns of Arlington, Bennington, Rupert, Manchester, and others that they need to adopt the revised interlocal contract agreement.

Public Comment: There were no public comments.

Next Meeting: Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 23, 2021, most likely via Zoom. At that point, Stu moved, and Rob seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 5:15 PM.