

Durham Middlefield Interlocal Agreement Advisory Board

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Minutes

Regular Meeting December 15, 2005

Members Present: Bob Bascom, Peter Neidhardt, Al Raczka
Dom DelVecchio, Tom Russell, Bill Wray,

Others Present: Tom McNamara of BOS Refuse, Bob Matuszkiewicz, Ellen Mauro

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm at the Durham Public Library

D. DelVecchio introduced B. Bascom as the new member of DMIAAB.

Old Business

B. Matuszkiewicz gave his report. The tub grinder is running well, the trucks are running well.

B. Matuszkiewicz stated he has been keeping the "swap shop" closed in the past weeks due to inclement weather.

P. Neidhardt has observed cars parking around the North side of the compactor to dump trash. He questioned the safety and if this practice had been creating traffic problems. E. Mauro stated the issue comes up because the volume of cars on a Saturday has increased and people don't want to wait in line to back up directly to the compactor. So far, there have been relatively few accidents at the compactor, and none related to the volume of traffic.

P. Neidhardt also questioned whether or not a porto-let was necessary at the compactor.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion P. Neidhardt, Seconded by B.Wray to approve the following minutes as presented:

August 2005, September 2005, October 2005 and November 2005

Ayes: DelVecchio, Neidhardt, Raczka, Russell and Wray

Abstained: Bascom

B. Bascom abstained from voting on the minutes as he had not been a member, but after reviewing the minutes had some questions.

B.Bascom questioned how sticker sales were being done presently. It was explained that in recent years, a two year sticker was sold for \$10. However, in response to requests by the boards of finance in both towns, it had been decided to return to the single year stickers, with the price to be determined in the budget process.

B. Bascom also questioned the Boy Scouts Proposal to make a larger storage area for the bottles & cans they collect. It was reported that a building would be erected to the east of the current barn and the member would still be coming in to empty the collection container on open days, but would be moving them into storage building for bulk removal. The Boy Scouts purchased the extra section from the same supplier that DMIAAB purchased the building from so it will make the existing structure.

The members discussed concern about the Boy Scouts having access to the facility when the site is not open and no employees are on site. The concern was one of safety. B. Bascom stated he had no problem with the Boy Scout Master coming in on Sunday if B. Matuszkiewicz was willing to meet him on site.

B. Bascom also questioned the proposed holiday schedule. The site will be closed on Saturday, Dec 24 and Open Tuesday December 27. It was explained that the site would not be able to be open for a ½ day on Saturday without creating great confusion, and that no disposal sites would be open, which would create a large back up prior to opening after Christmas day (the busiest dump day of the year). The schedule has been sent to all local papers, and posted on site.

Proposed Paper Disposal at CRRA

There has been continued question about if CRRA will actually take the paper for disposal as we collect it. In a conversation with CRRA, a representative told E. Mauro that they would take our paper. However, in subsequent correspondence from CRRA, it has been determined they will not take many items we currently collect as paper, including books, wrapping paper and cereal box type cardboard. More discussion with CRRA will be necessary. The question of whether we will be required ultimately by our contract to bring CRRA our recyclables was also discussed. B. Bascom stated that he thought we had been dealing with CRRA on the “spot market”, and therefore, could not be required to bring anything. During discussion of the CRRA contract, D. DelVecchio stated that when the contract was last negotiated, we became a member town.

The members asked for copies of the CRRA contract be brought for the next meeting for review.

P. Neidhardt requested that Executive Session be added to the next meeting agenda to discuss personnel and wages.

Motion Raczka, Seconded by Russell to adjourn at 7:50 pm , meeting adjourned with all in favor.