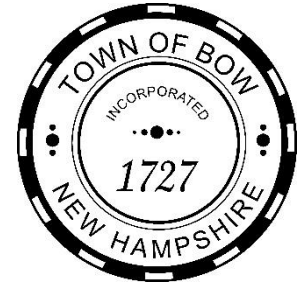




**Town of Bow Recycling and Solid Waste  
Committee**

**Meeting Minutes**

**January 4, 2022 Meeting**



To: David Stack, Town Manager

cc: Bow Administrative Assistant, Committee Webpage, Recycling Committee Members

Re: Draft Recycling and Solid Waste Committee Minutes for January 4, 2022 Meeting

Date: January 4, 2022

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Committee Member Attendees: Sherri Cheney, Beth Titus, Taj Pietkiewicz, Mark Davis and Danielle Ruane

Also in attendance: Woody Bowne

**MEETING BEGAN AT 7:30 PM.**

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of the November 2, Meeting Minutes

Taj Pietkiewicz moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Sherri Cheney. Mark Davis abstained. Approved unanimously.

2. Tipping Fees

Sherri Cheney reported that the December recycling fees increased to approximately \$77/ton. Pinard anticipates that the recycling fees for January will fall back closer to the November rate of \$47.79. The Committee will continue to monitor fluctuations in the fees.

Discussion that the monthly recycling fees are charged to Pinard by Casella. The recycling fees are reported in a letter from Casella to Pinard, which is then forwarded to the town.

Sherri Cheney distributed the latest spreadsheets from Pinard. She noted that the number of tons collected this year are almost the same as 2020 (January 1st to November 30th). The Committee reviewed tonnage

collected during that same timeframe in 2019, and noted that there was substantially less trash and recycling collected in 2019 when compared to the 2020 and 2021 tonnage collected.

3. HHWD for 2022:

Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA) will be providing a quote for HHWD in 2022. Discussion of advantages of using NRRA, and whether there are any cost benefits.

The close-out report for the 2021 HHWD event has been filed by Sherri Cheney. The grant application for the 2022 event is due on February 1. The application has already been prepared by Sherri Cheney, and is being provided to David Stack for his signature before filing.

Discussion of collected materials during the 2021 HHWD event. The number of propane tanks collected were less than 2020. Discussion of spray foam tanks and how to recycle.

Cost of HHWD this year: Discussion of whether to continue splitting price with Dunbarton by using the count of vehicles from each town. Sherri Cheney and Woody Bowne explained how the cost is calculated between the towns. Sherri Cheney suggested continuing to use the number of vehicles from each town to calculate the split, however eliminating vehicles that only drop off electronics. Discussion that if we use that method, we will need a different color post-it note for vehicles that are only dropping off electronics. The Committee will discuss the breakdown further if needed.

4. Education Article Ideas

Danielle Ruane is working on an article for the Bow Times about winter composting. Suggestion of writing educational article about brush dump, which could include advice for disposing of Christmas trees.

5. Other Discussion Items

Sherri Cheney discussed whether a member of the Bow Recycling and Solid Waste Committee should attend the Concord Regional Solid Waste/Resource Recovery Cooperative meetings. Woody Bowne reported that the Cooperative still has meetings, and occasionally issues annual reports. The Committee will request Tim Sweeney to provide us with

minutes and annual reports. Mark Davis agreed to review the financial information.

Sherri Cheney discussed downloading some of articles on the DES website for circulation on our social media pages. Taj Pietkiewicz agreed to download and post some of the articles.

6. Next Meeting

**Next meeting is February 1, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. (IN PERSON).**

Meeting adjourned 8:45 p.m.