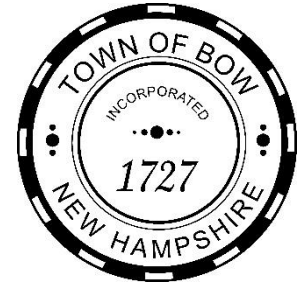




**Town of Bow Recycling and Solid Waste
Committee**

Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2022 Meeting



To: David Stack, Town Manager

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

Re: Recycling and Solid Waste Committee Minutes for June 7, 2022 Meeting

Date: June 7, 2022

Committee Member Attendees: Sherri Cheney, Rebecca Elwood, Beth Titus, Mark Davis, Taj Pietkiewicz (by phone), and Danielle Ruane (by phone)

Also in attendance: Woody Bownes

MEETING BEGAN AT 7:40 PM.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of the April 5, 2022 Meeting

Rebecca Elwood moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Beth Titus. Approved unanimously.

2. Recycling Tipping Fees – Rates as of April and May 2022

Sherri Cheney reported on status of tipping fees. In March of 2022, the fee went down to \$62.93. In April of 2022, the fee was further reduced to \$51.06. In May of 2022, the fee was further reduced to \$48.78. The cost of recycling continues to be less expensive than the cost to dispose of trash.

The Committee will continue to monitor fluctuations in the fees.

3. Discussion of Trash and Single Stream Collected - March and April 2022 Numbers

In the month of March of 2022, Pinard collected 75 tons of recyclables (in comparison to 79 in March of 2021). In April of 2022, Pinard collected 66

tons of recyclables (in comparison to 75 tons in April of 2021). Sherri Cheney reported that she reviewed the spreadsheet provided by Pinard for those months, and compared it to bills from Pinard and weight slips.

4. Waste Zero/HELPSY — Implementation of curbside textile recycling

In May, HELPSY collected 949 pounds of clothing and textiles. There have been 28 pick-ups scheduled through May and June, and 24 pick ups have occurred.

a. Newspaper Times articles

HELPSY articles have been in both the Bow Times and Concord Monitor.

b. Distribution of Brochures/Posters and Social Media Responsibilities

Flyers are currently in the library and municipal building. Committee members will distribute in the community center and other locations.

Taj and Mark - Update social media stating how much was picked up in May.

Update website with the new list of acceptable items.

5. Household Hazardous Waste 2022

a. Grant agreement received, approved by the Selectmen and sent to State of New Hampshire

b. Education Requirements – Obtain articles from the DES website and post it.

c. Banners – Beth is going to research banner options.

6. Concord Regional Solid Waste /Resource Recovery Agreement

Sherri went through the agreement and discussed the increase in tipping fee costs for upcoming years.

7. Future Activities, Articles and Educational Information

Danielle Ruane requested suggestions for articles to be sent to her.

8. Any Other Items of Interest to Members

Composting – there are now some collection options at Concord Co-op and local CSAs. Woody stated that there are groups that will collect compost at schools, and he will circulate the information.

9. Next Meeting

Discussion of Committee BBQ on August 2.

No meetings in summer. Next meeting is September 6, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. (Municipal Building).

Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.