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Draft Quarterly Meeting Minutes

District Board of Supervisors Thursday, April 28, 2011 Selectmen's Room Springfield Town Offices

Supervisors and	Forrest Randall, Chair	Gary DeRosia	Jim Peplau
Alternates	H. Joseph Fromberger	Derek Suursoo	Cynthia Gibbs
present:	Mark Blanchard	Wayne Wheelock	Frank Heald

Others present: Tom Kennedy, District Manager; Bob Forguites, District Treasurer; Mary T. O'Brien, District Clerk; Dave Allen from Casella Waste Management

F. Randall called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and opened the public hearing on the budget.

B. Forguites explained various aspects of the proposed FY12 District budget. He read through the budget, line by line to explain increases and decreases. The Executive Committee's had suggested that the District go one more year without increasing the district surcharge on trash tonnage. The Executive Committee had recommended that the Board approve the budget as presented. F. Randall closed the public hearing.

1. Roll Call

A quorum was established with eight towns represented.

2. Approve minutes of January 27, 2011 Meeting

D. Suursoo made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 27, 2011 meeting as presented. W. Wheelock seconded the motion. All voted in favor with typographical error corrected (Change "grand" to "grant"). Motion carried.

3. Treasurer's Report

B. Forguites discussed the report, including the tonnage and revenue figures. D. Suursoo made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. G. DeRosia seconded the motion. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

4. Guest Speaker: Dave Allen from Casella Waste

D. Allen discussed recent and future trends in the waste industry. He noted that Casella's ZeroSort facility will open in Rutland about the first of 2012 and will process a few hundred tons of waste daily. Casella conducts tours every 3-4 months at their Auburn facility.

5. Election of Officers and Executive Committee Representatives

B. Forguites took over running the meeting. J. Fromberger made a motion to elect Forrest Randall as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. J. Peplau seconded the motion. All voted in favor. F. Randall took over running the meeting. D. Suursoo made a motion to elect Joe Fromberger as Vice-Chairman of the Board. F. Heald seconded the motion. All voted in favor. J. Fromberger made a motion to elect Gary DeRosia, Derek Suursoo, and Frank Heald as the three Executive Committee Representatives. W. Wheelock seconded the motion. All voted in favor. D. Suursoo made a motion to appoint Mary T. O'Brien as Clerk and Bob Forguites as Treasurer. G. DeRosia seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

6. Discussion and adoption of FY12 Budget and Work Program

T. Kennedy explained the changes in the work program. J. Peplau mentioned the dearth of education on the federal level about how to properly dispose of unwanted medications. F. Heald made a motion to accept the work program and FY12 budget as presented. D. Suursoo seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

7. Discussion and adoption of a new contract with the Regional Planning Commission for management services

T. Kennedy asked that a motion be made to allow the Executive Committee to study the contract. F. Heald made a motion to remand the contract to the Executive Committee for consideration and for the Executive Committee to bring back the contract to the Board for ratification. J. Peplau seconded the motion. F. Heald amended the motion to remand the contract to the Executive Committee for the final decision. J. Peplau seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

8. Recycling Coordinator's Report

M. T. O'Brien described the work that she's been doing.

9. New Business: None

10. Old Business: None

11. Adjourn

At 7:15 p.m., J. Fromberger made a motion to adjourn. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary T. O'Brien District Clerk