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Board of Supervisors Public Meeting Thursday, July 23, 2020 6:00 p.m. Remote meeting because of COVID-19

Meeting Minutes

At 6:11 p.m., Joe Fromberger, Chair, called the meeting to order.

1. Additions to the Agenda: none

Derek Suursoo made a motion to accept the agenda as written. G. DeRosia seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

2. Roll Call

Present: Joe Fromberger, Andover; Rebecca Lomachinsky, Baltimore; Bruce McEnaney, Cavendish; Derek Suursoo, Chester; Gary DeRosia, Rockingham; Matt Priestley (alternate), Springfield; Paul Tillman, Weathersfield; Tom Kenyon, West Windsor. Eight towns were represented – a quorum was achieved.

Also present: Tom Kennedy, District Manager; Mary T. O'Brien, District Clerk; and Mary Winter.

3. Approve minutes of April 23, 2020 and June 25, 2020 meetings

D. Suursoo made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2020 meeting as presented. G. DeRosia seconded the motion. No discussion. All voted in favor. G. DeRosia made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2020 meeting as presented. D. Suursoo seconded the motion. No discussion. All voted in favor.

4. Acceptance of May's Treasurer's Report

T. Kennedy gave a few explanatory statements, noting that at 91% of the way through the fiscal year, the income is only at 79%. A couple of reasons for this – the District is paid by its two largest haulers on a quarterly basis and the next payments will be in late July, so that income will come up.

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The other reason is that the first installment of the SWIP grant cannot be submitted until the household hazardous waste (HHW) vendor issues its invoice for the June 30 collection. That will be on FY20's P&L so that line will go up. The \$2,400 for glass hasn't been used yet because T. Kennedy is waiting for contracts to be signed by the various parties.

M. Priestley asked what the tonnage numbers were for the year. T. Kennedy responded that he hadn't gotten them from Casella yet but that tonnage was higher at this time of year, than it was a year ago – probably because of the COVID-19 lockdown and subsequent flurry of housecleaning.

5. Discussion of Organic Waste Ban

T. Kennedy noted that on July 1, the Vermont law banning food scraps from the trash kicked in for everyone. M. O'Brien and H. Gillett have been working straight out answering residents' numerous questions and selling backyard composters and kitchen pails. D. Suursoo made a motion to accept the May Treasurer's Report as presented. G. DeRosia seconded the motion. No discussion. All voted in favor.

6. Update on June 30, 3030 HHW Collection in Springfield

M. O'Brien stated that the event went well. The vendor, Enpro, arrived early, with ten employees, two box trucks and pop-up canopies. They were set up and ready to begin before the starting time of 2:00 p.m. There was a storm delay of about an hour but most people didn't leave. Two hundred and thirty participants and a lot of material. The event was scheduled on a day that the Springfield Transfer Station was closed to help ease traffic problems and held until 6:00 p.m. to make it convenient for working people.

- 7. Old Business none
- 8. New Business
 - a. Ban on Single Use Bags and Straws

T. Kennedy described the ban that went into effect in Vermont on July 1, 2020.

9. At 6:35 p.m., D. Suursoo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. T. Kenyon seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Mary T. O'Brien District Clerk