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Quarterly Meeting Minutes

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

Supervisors and Alternates

present:

Forrest Randall, Chair H. Joseph Fromberger Harold Igoe

Tom Kenyon

Jeffrey Slade Derek Suursoo

Jim Peplau Cynthia Gibbs

Wayne Wheelock George Timko

Others present:

Tom Kennedy, District Manager; Bob Forguites, District Treasurer; Mary T. O'Brien, District Clerk; Jim Mullen, Weathersfield Town

Manager

F. Randall called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call

A quorum was established with nine towns represented.

2. Approve Minutes of April 28, 2011 Meeting

J. Fromberger made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 28, 2011 meeting. J. Peplau seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

3. Treasurer's Report

B. Forguites discussed the report. He stated that the District will end the fiscal year with income exceeding expenses by about \$4,000.00. D. Suursoo made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. J. Peplau seconded the motion. J. Fromberger said, "Well done." All voted in favor.

4. Discussion of Weathersfield's Recycling Program

J. Mullen, guest speaker, discussed the new multi-stream recycling system that's been in place at the Weathersfield Transfer Station since May 2011. Weathersfield now contracts with the Windham Solid Waste District to handle its recycling. Prior to May, the recycling rate was 27%. Plastics #1-#7 are now collected. Residents appear to be happy with the new system. There is no cost for the recyclables - just a haul charge.

5. Recycling Coordinator's Report

M. O'Brien noted that the Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA) is set to advertise on August 1 the new e-waste program in Vermont. In response to J. Peplau's inquiry about recycling maple tubing, the J. Mullen offered the use of Weathersfield's baler and storage space - both freed up by the new recycling system.

6. Old Business

- Discussion of tonnage and revenue figures
 - T. Kennedy spoke about the figures.
- Electronic waste collection program
 - T. Kennedy spoke about the birth pains of the new program. It does seem to be going well.

7. New Business

- Changes to Act 78
 - T. Kennedy stated that Vermont's solid waste law might be changed by the legislature after 21 years. The \$6.00/ton fee that has been in place since 1987 might be raised. The fee supports recycling in the state.

8. Adjourn

At 7:14 p.m., J. Fromberger made a motion to adjourn. J. Peplau seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary T. O'Brien
District Clerk