

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the CVSWMD Board and Executive Board of Supervisors
Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce – 33 Stewart Rd. Berlin**

April 1, 2015

approved

A meeting of the CVSWMD Board of Supervisors – Towns represented and Board of Supervisors/Alternates present were:

Representative	Town	4/15
Micheli, S.	Barre City	X
Taft, R. (alt)	Barre City	
Thumm, F.	Barre Town	X
Mitchell, J. (alt)	Barre Town	
Levin, M.	Berlin	X
Postpischil, G.	Bradford	X
Powell, B.	Calais	X
Lembke, M.	Chelsea	X
Hubbell, C (alt)	Chelsea	X
Callan, G.	E. Montpelier	X
Veilleux, L.	Fairlee	
Kellogg, N.	Hardwick	X
Krauth, A.	Middlesex	X
Moore, M.	Montpelier	
Bate, D. (alt)	Montpelier	
Cattaneo, L.	Orange	X
Zeisel, L.	Plainfield	X
Vacant	Tunbridge	
Gershun, D.	Walden	
Carbee, P	Washington	
Sandlin, C.	Williamstown	X
Vacant	Woodbury	

Others in attendance:

Leesa Stewart, Cathleen Gent, Peter Anthony, Barb Baird
Dave Delcore – Times Argus

Fred Thumm called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. (1)

Agenda Revisions (2)

None

Public Comment Period & Announcements (3)

No public comment. No comment on Town Meeting. Leesa pointed out that the CVSWMD collection schedule is on page 3 of the packet.

Committee and Executive Board reports (4)

Matt Levin asked about mediation that was discussed in the Executive Board minutes. Leesa stated that the item was discussed in Executive Session and in order for it to be discussed the board would need to enter Executive Session. Matt withdrew his question. He stated that he was looking forward to discussing the RFP's in May, pointing out that he does not wish to be on the Ad Hoc review committee that is being appointed tonight.

Consent Agenda (5)

1. Adopt the minutes of the February 4, 2015 board meeting
2. Accept the minutes of the committee meetings
3. Accept the notes from public hearings

Ginny Callan moved the consent agenda. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Approval of Grants (6)

- a. Spaulding \$537
- b. Oxbow \$2,000

Matt Levin explained that the Spaulding Grant is for making recycled paper into notepads.

Lee Cattaneo moved to grant Spaulding \$537. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Levin continued that the Oxbow grant is for a refillable water station, a sorting station for the cafeteria and fruit trees.

Mark Lembke moved to grant Oxbow \$2,000. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Accept Revised Ordinance: Variable Rate Pricing and Use of Clear Bags when Recyclables are Bagged (7)

Lee Cattaneo announced that after receiving public comment, the POC recommends changes to the ordinance. The ordinance is requiring what is asked for from the State. The mandatory clear bag piece for trash has been removed, however the ordinance encourages the use of clear bags when bags are used for recyclables.

Cattaneo went over the changes recommended by the Program Oversight Committee. The revised copy of the ordinance will be on the CVSWMD website – www.cvswwmd.org.

Laura Zeisel moved to accept the POC's recommended changes to the CIVIL ORDINANCE: VARIABLE RATE PRICING BY VOLUME AND USE OF CLEAR BAGS WHEN RECYCLABLES ARE BAGGED. The motion was seconded.

Discussion: Matt Levin stated it was too bad we had to step so far back from the original draft – perhaps a pilot program would have helped. Laura Zeisel said that she too regrets having to step back but there was a lot of criticism. Ginny Callan mentioned that there were a lot of comments on issues the Board had not thought about. Good process. The board spoke about the ad Casella placed in the Times Argus that did not identify themselves as its originator - but made it appear we had placed it, slamming our own ordinance.

The motion passed unanimously.

Accept Revised SWIP (8)

Lee Cattaneo moved to accept the revised SWIP. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Set Date and Time for Public Hearing as April 29 at the ARCC 540 North Main St, Barre VT (9)

Bill Powell moved to set the date and time for the SWIP and Variable Rate Ordinance last public hearing as April 29th at 6:00 p.m. at the Additional Recyclables Collection Center – 540 N. Main Street Barre VT. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Election of Officers (10)

No nominations from the floor.

Matt Levin moved the slate of officers as:

Fred Thumm – Chair

Lee Cattaneo – Vice Chair

Peter Anthony – Treasurer

Barb Baird – Clerk

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Executive Board and Committee Appointments (11)

Fred Thumm appointed the committees:

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Fred Thumm

Lee Cattaneo

Ginny Callan

Bill Powell

PROGRAM OVERSIGHT

Lee Cattaneo

Ellen Gershun

Anita Krauth

Mia Moore

Gerhard Postpischil

Laura Zeisel

FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT

Fred Thumm

Steve Micheli

Bill Powell

WALBRIDGE/GRANTS

Ginny Callan

Anita Krauth

Mark Lemke

Matt Levin

FACILITY AD HOC

Fred Thumm

Lee Cattaneo

Peter Anthony

Chrissy Bellmyer

Steve Micheli

Leesa Stewart

Carl Witke

FACILITY PROPOSAL REVIEW AD HOC

Fred Thumm

Lee Cattaneo

Chrissy Bellmyer

Bill Powell

Leesa Stewart

Carl Witke

Establish Regular Day and Time of the Board meetings (12)

Lee Cattaneo moved that the District will have no regular meetings in January, July, and August and will have regular meetings in the other months on the first Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Approval of the FY '16 Budget (13)

Bill Powell moved to approve the budget that was recommended by the FOC. The motion was seconded.

Matt Levin said he wished to have a discussion about the allocation of more grant money at the mid-year adjustment when the time comes.

The motion passed unanimously.

Accept Financial Audit Proposal from Telling and Associates (14)

Bill Powell moved to accept the audit proposal from Telling and Associates of Middlebury. The motion was seconded.

Leesa Stewart stated that she asked them to lower the estimated number of hours and they have.

The motion passed unanimously.

Round Table (15)

Nancy Kellogg stated that there needs to be more outreach around Green Up Day.

Matt Levin thanked the committees for all their time. He spoke at Berlin's Town Meeting about what has been going on with the District's work and with Act 148.

Gerhard Postpischil shared a story about an announcement IBM makes the first Wed of every month but not this one as it is April 1st.

Ginny Callan remarked on how great the school programs are.

Charles Sandlin urged board and staff to stay hopeful on our messaging – Vermont is way ahead of a lot of the country in our solid waste practices.

Leesa Stewart thanked Cassandra Hemenway for all her hard work while on staff at the District. She also thanked the board for serving another year and thanked new board members.

Fred Thumm said he just got back from Ireland and it is parallel to VT. They do curbside pay as you throw organics and recycling

Adjourn (16)

Motion to adjourn at 7:50 – unanimous

Prepared by: