

Minutes of the CVSWMD Special Board and Executive Board of Supervisors

October 21, 2009

A meeting of the CVSWMD Board of Supervisors took place at the Unitarian Church in Montpelier. Towns represented and Board of Supervisors/Alternates present were:

Representative	Town	4/09	5/09	6/09	9/09	10/09	10/21/9
Micheli, S	Barre City						
Wolfe, N (alt)	Barre City	√	√	√	√	√	√
Thumm, F	Barre Town		√	√		√	√
Mitchell, J (alt)	Barre Town					√	
Levin, M	Berlin	√	√	√		√	√
Postpischil, G	Bradford	√	√	√	√	√	√
Eno, R.D.	Cabot	√	√	√	√	√	
Powell, W	Calais	√	√	√	√	√	√
Gould, S	Chelsea	√	√	√	√	√	√
Lembke, M (alt)	Chelsea						
Callan, G	E. Montpelier	√	√	√	√	√	√
Larsen, P	Hardwick	√					√
Sills, P	Marshfield						
Krauth, A	Middlesex	√	√		√	√	
Moore, M	Montpelier	√	√				√
Hooper, A (alt)	Montpelier						
White, F.	Northfield	√	√		√	√	√
Cattaneo, L	Orange	√	√			√	√
Walrafen, J CHAIR	Plainfield	√	√	√	√	√	√
D'Amico, G	Roxbury	√	√	√	√		
vacant	Strafford						
vacant	Tunbridge						
Lynaugh, B	Walden						
vacant	Washington						
vacant	Williamstown						
vacant	Woodbury						

Others in attendance – Donna Barlow Casey, Leesa Stewart, Mia Roethlein, Ted Coles, Barb Baird (District Staff)
Peter Anthony – District Treasurer

Janice Walrafen called the special meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. (1)

Agenda Revisions (2)

Add a report from the FOC meeting that met immediately before this meeting as 3b

Public Comments and Announcement (3)

Patrick Larsen, the new Hardwick representative was introduced.

Donna Barlow Casey announced that Kate Clemente, the District School Compost Coordinator is resigning to go to graduate school. One of the school monitors, with a degree in Environmental Education, will be taking her place.

Fred Thumm announced that he and Donna will be making a videotape to get more budget and depot information out to the public. It will be shown on local access.

Financial Oversight update (3b)

Bill Powell stated that the FOC is looking at asking the towns of Chelsea, Tunbridge and Strafford to start to pay for the tipping fees for recycling starting December 1 in an effort to be equitable since we are raising prices at the District run depots for recycling. Steve Gould was upset that the towns weren't part of the discussion. FOC members explained that it was just a preliminary discussion but everyone on the Board agreed that during these difficult budget times, affected parties should be part of the discussions. The FOC also discussed an annual licensing fee for haulers and charging for each vehicle a company has.

Authorize acceptance of FY 2009 audit (4)

Leesa Stewart stated that there will be revisions to come and advised the full board to wait until the November 4th meeting to accept.

Steve Gould moved to request the auditors make needed revisions and the full board will vote to accept on November 4th. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Update of Depot RFP (5)

Staff explained that the RFP going out to licensed haulers will gauge interest in whether any of the haulers would be interested in taking over the depot system entirely, one or more locations of depots or provide fast trash drop offs.

Discuss Proposed FY 2011 Budget and Presentation to Member Towns (6)

Janice Walrafen brought up and the Board discussed what it would mean to bond. The two budget options were discussed: one is for keeping the depots funded for one year (with no promises) and a raise in the per capita. The other budget, the foundational budget, would remove the District from any obligation to the drop off facilities. Each Board member is asked to go to their towns with the budget information which was in their Oct 21st board packet. All Selectboard Chairs and Town Clerks were sent the same information. Staff will also have to revise the Solid Waste Implementation Plan based on the decision the Board makes at their December meeting.

Executive Session(s) as needed (7)

None needed.

Round Table and Announcements (8)

Mia Moore welcomed Patrick Larsen to the Board.

Fred Thumm reminded viewers to take it easy on the staff, Board and towns during the budget discussions.

Ginny Callan reminded everyone that the Environmental Action conference is Nov. 7.

Gerhard Postpischil shared a story about a cat that takes a train to look at penguins and fish.

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