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**Minutes: Public hearing to include the CVSWMD Eco Depot in the 2020 SWIP  
Wednesday, October 9, 2024, 6:00 p.m.**

CVSWMD General Manager Theron Lay-Sleeper started the public hearing at 6:00 PM with one attendee present. Barre City alternate Peter Anthony attended.

Peter Anthony asked about how the facility was sited. Lay-Sleeper discussed the years-long process of finding a suitable site, and how the location in Berlin places the proposed facility squarely in the geographic center of the District, as well as between the three largest member municipalities (Montpelier, Barre City, and Barre Town). Also of note is the strategic position of the facility, well out of the flood zone, in an existing industrial area, and close to the highway. With the new facility outside of flood danger zones, CVSWMD will be more prepared to offer assistance to flood-affected member communities in the future. Lay-Sleeper explained how the facility would help CVSWMD programs increase the level of service by providing year-round disposal of HHW, and control costs associated with large one-day events.

Anthony asked about the host town agreement with the Town of Berlin. Lay-Sleeper noted that the CVSWMD Board negotiated the host town agreement in keeping with District ordinance, and that the payment in lieu of taxes was set at the tax rate for the property for a duration of 10 years, which is the minimum length of time for CVSWMD to operate the facility stipulated in the grant agreement with the Agency of Natural Resources.

At 6:18 PM, Lay-Sleeper ended the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Theron Lay-Sleeper, General Manager