

SELECTBOARD MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2016

Meeting opened at 11:10am at the Transfer Station

Present: Alan Vint, chair; David DiNicola; Robert Costa all Selectboard and Board of Health members
Duane Pease, Town Administrator; Skip Savery, Highway Superintendent; Joe Kearns, Recycling coordinator; Kathy O'Brien, Transfer Station Attendant; Kathleen Casey, HRMC director

Dan Hall and Jim Scheffler representatives of DEP

DEP reps were her to inspect the work completed at the Transfer Station and make recommendations for future improvements. Overall they were very satisfied with the progress made to date. They did recommend railings around the demolition bin to prevent possible falls into the bin. They agreed with Skip's plan to relocate some of the bins to eliminate the need for stairs to deposit recyclables.

Group left the Transfer Station to reconvene at the former landfill.

Reconvened at the landfill at 11:35pm with all present. With addition of Anita Myers who is the property owner of the landfill site.

DEP did not consider this to be a very large or dangerous site. Actual area is approximately 1.3 acres and has been covered by Highway Dept. must have at least 10" of clean soil as a cover and sloped so it can be mowed. No trees can be allowed to grow as they could possibly bring any buried refuse to the surface with their root system. The other material that is on the site, boulders, trees, etc needs to be removed. They also would like another round of water testing done and submitted to DEP.

Once this is done, the Town can file an Accepted Land Fill form with DEP.

They also recommended the Town purchase or take the site to prevent any future development on the property. The more land the Town owns around it, it lessens the chances of future problems arising from the landfill. When questioned if the area could still be used for storage by the Highway Dept. Hill advised if it was not on the landfill itself, it could be used.

There will be further discussion between DEP, HRMC and the Town.

Board left the landfill at 12:08pm to return to the Town Hall.

Board meeting reconvened at 12:25pm with Selectboard members, Town Administrator and Highway Superintendent present.

Discussion was held on applicants for the vacant highway position.

Only one of the applicants had all the necessary licenses and discussion centered on him. He does not want to work fulltime, however, Skip felt he would be a good fit going forward through the winter as he does not always have work for everyone and he could tell him not to come in if the weather did not warrant it. Also, since this person can operate a grader, this would be an advantage when Skip gets his shoulder operated in the spring. Road could be graded and that would leave Matt free to do the follow up work and not have to operate the grader and then get out and do other work or mentor someone else on what needs to be done. Also, since this person is retired, he is limited in how much he can make in a calendar year per the terms of his retirement from the Operating Engineers. He is looking to earn only \$15/hour.

Alan motioned to hire him as a part-time employee pending passing of a physical and drug test, Bob 2nd; vote 3-0.

Alan motioned to adjourn, Bob 2nd; vote 3-0 and meeting adjourned at 1:45pm

Minutes respectively submitted by:

Duane Pease
Town Administrator

Minutes accepted with/without changes by:

Alan Vint, Chair

David DiNicola

Robert Costa