

Minutes of Board of Health meeting May 2, 2016

Commenced 2:00 PM

Present: Rusty Luce, Helen Symons, Valerie Bird.

Transfer station issues:

We still need one more roll-off box for recycling. Discussed which type would be more useful: a roll-off box that would attach to a potential second compactor (for paper & cardboard) or a roll-off that would stand alone as either type of recycling container; as we have the option of requesting monies for whichever type at this spring's Town meeting, Donna will contact Charlene, Town Administrator, about putting the request on the Town Meeting Warrant. This will allow us to continue to use the Revolving Fund to make repairs and other varied upgrades at the T. S. As we do want to compact the paper & cardboard recycling we will try to put that request on next year's Town Meeting Warrant.

The two types of roll-off boxes are two different configurations, we need to decide which one we would purchase this year & submit our request for a compactor to the Capital Planning Committee as it will cost more than \$10,000.

We discussed raising the fee for new stickers, due to being sold starting May 17, 2016 and voted unanimously to go to \$75 per year with new residents moving to town after January charged \$45. As there have been many requests over the years by senior citizens to lower their fee we voted 2:1 to lower the fee to \$50 for citizens 70 years old and older.

Sharps disposal: A bill came from the Steri-cycle Inc. company for \$3431.88 to cover the next year's expenses. These include \$8.04 annual energy charge, \$31.56 annual fuel charge, \$2650.20 for one year of "Steri-safe Preferred" services in addition to only 2 container disposals for the year and \$742.08 for "Environmental/Regulatory Fee." This seems extremely high for the amount our town disposes. We will bring the matter to our next FHD meeting on May 18m 2016 & consider a different company or other alternative.

Housing Issues: Valerie reports that 3 Myrtle St is being rehabbed, 23 Goshen Rd goes back to court 7/26/16, 7 Laurel is being sold, 125 Main St seems no longer inhabited & 125 Goshen St is being taken by the town for back taxes.

Meeting ended 4:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Gibson, Chair