

## TRANSFER STATION WORKING GROUP

### MEETING MINUTES – Approved 7-31-23

MARCH 10, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Freddy Friedman at 3:35pm with the following present: J. Halverson, C. Loring, N. Yohalem and T. White.

The minutes of January 26, 2023 were approved.

#### TRANSFER STATION BIDS

Freddy reviewed the bids for the next 3 years for the Transfer Station. There were 2 bidders: Casella and Roger's Trucking. Roger's Trucking was the low bidder and the group recommended that the bid be accepted by the Select Board. The budget for the Transfer Station for FY2024 will need to be increased to accommodate the rate increases in the containers (was \$45 NOW \$75), and hauling charges (ranged between \$250 or \$350 and NOW \$225 to \$525) and disposal rate (was \$92 NOW \$120).

#### TRANSFER STATION PERMITS

There was a discussion on raising the yearly stickers. Freddy suggested \$220. Josephine asked if going over \$200 would create a problem for some people in the Town. (Current is \$185). A new program is being set-up that will allow residents to buy the stickers on-line. There is a fee that they would have to pay through this program. Stickers would then be sent to them or they could pick them up at Town Hall. Freddy suggested putting the names on the stickers instead of the plate number, but that could be problematic if the names are different. Reports will be available from the system and next year, there will be an automatic reminder that they need to renew their sticker. It was agreed to recommend to the Select Board to increase the price for FY2024 to \$200 before September 1<sup>st</sup> and \$250 after that.

There was agreement with the group to set up an organics barrel for residents to use. Freddy will reach out to Tom Brazie to see if he is interested in picking the barrel up after each day the Transfer Station is open. If he agrees, then a container will be purchased and set-up for use.

#### SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

Josephine updated the group on using social media to get out information on the Transfer Station. She will set up a plan and bring back to the group at the next meeting. This could include a virtual swap shop website.

With all business concluded, the meeting adjourned at 4:51 pm.

Submitted by:

Tara White  
Secretary