

MINUTES

Talking Trash in Kingston

April 12, 2023 | Meeting Commenced 7:06 PM | Meeting Close 8:24 PM | *Meeting called by* Stacy Dion

Board Members Present

Stacy Dion, Chair | Phil Coombs, DPW Director | Kevin St. James, Representative BOS | Mark Goddard, Member | Elsa Voelcker, Member | Chuck Margosian, Alternate

Not in attendance: Glen Milhomme, Member

Committee

Phil stated that Lisa Perrault, Administrative Assistant to Department of Public Works, would start attending the meetings to assist in taking minutes.

Previous Minutes

Mark moved to approve the 08Mar2023 minutes as written. Second by Chuck. 4 Approve 1 Abstain

Waste Management Update - Phil

Waste Management has their new natural gas truck. The truck now looks just like the recycling truck. Phil is continuing to evaluate the inconsistencies in the current contract. Chuck stated that the contract should be updated with the slide deck that has been agreed upon with Waste Management. The Committee then filled Kevin to the concerns and inconsistencies that were found in the contract and trying to put together a source of what is recyclable and what is not recyclable. The Committee then discussed that a collection point for glass and cardboard would save the Town some money.

Action Item: Phil to send current contract to Town Legal counsel for review. Phil will copy Kevin.

Kingston Residential Waste Disposal

Chuck has updated the presentation and sent it to the Town Clerk's office.

Action Item: Chuck to send update Waste Management only presentation to Stacy for distribution and review.

A discussion was had regarding how to get residents updated recycling information. Discussion was to keep the main source of information to be the town web site. The Committee also discussed the use of the Town cable channel. Chuck discussed taking out a full page add in Carriage Town News. The cost of the add would be \$792, if camera ready. The Committee also discussed using Facebook and sending information with the Tax Bill.

Action Item: Phil to talk to East Kingston about sharing the cost of placing the add in Carriage Town News.

The goal is for the committee to have a drop of location by the end of summer for glass and cardboard. That will take some of these items out of the waste stream. This will need an amendment to the contract.

Educational program will be the focus of the committee. The committee would like to get the word out on how residents can help. Discussion of alternative methods to reduce waste stream. These need to be communicated to residents as potential alternatives. For example: John's Truck and Auto Salvage is currently is taking all metal and white goods. Landscape Depot may take yard waste. Other area stores take clothing, blankets and other household goods. These alternatives will need to be confirmed by residents. The current WM reviewed presentation will be used to create a flyer for the Tax Bills. This presentation will also be used for putting up on the Cable Channnel.

Motion by Stacy: Use the WM reviewed presentation in Power Point for education on the Town Cable Station. Second by Mark. All in Favor.

Action Item: Stacy to use the WM presentation to create a flyer for the Tax Bill. The flyer will contain the draft preamble that Chuck has drafted. Chuck to send preamble to Stacy.

Action Item: Phil to work with Adam to place the presentation on the Cable Station.

Motion by Elsa to use a draft an Age Friendly Sheet to give out at the Library on April 20th. Second by Phil. All in favor.

Next Meetings

Next Meeting will be held 10May2023 at 7:00 PM at the Highway Department.

Discussion of the Town's Solid Waste Webpage.