



AD-HOC TRANSFER STATION COMMITTEE

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, March 2, 2010
7:30 p.m.
CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

Joint Session with the Board of Selectmen

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PRESENT: David Olson, Robert DiMatteo, Kevin Riley, Thomas O’Leary, Jeffrey Kenausis, Donald Brown and Judith Novachek.

First Selectman Knickerbocker called the Ad-Hoc Transfer Station Committee to order at 7:31 p.m.

The Selectmen thanked the committee members for volunteering their service to address the Transfer Station Operations. The Transfer Station operation, as it stands now, runs a deficit and owes money to the town General Fund.

Board of Selectmen presentation of committee goals and objectives to Ad-Hoc Transfer Station Committee.

First Selectman Knickerbocker spoke to the short-term goals that he would like the committee to address; a review of the Transfer Station operations, which should include a review of items examining the existing operations, fees, permits, operations, usage, financial accounting of the transfer station operations, etc. This would all be towards the goal of making a recommendation back to the Board of Selectmen which, if possible, would enable Bethel’s transfer station operations be in a positive financial position.

He also spoke to the longer term goals which could include a thorough review of the feasibility of privatization including pros and cons, impact on environment and infrastructure, cash flow analysis, etc. He noted that the committee should meet with both companies who submitted proposals and others if necessary. Selectmen offered that privatization may not be a bad thing as long as there are positive benefits to the community.

Discussion of Transfer Station Operations

Members of committee would look to meet with various town departments to assist in their review. All agreed that the transfer station can not continue to operate at a loss and a review is necessary.

Election of Officers

Thomas O'Leary made a motion, which was seconded by Robert DiMatteo, to nominate David Olson as Chairman of the Ad-Hoc Bethel Transfer Station Committee

Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Thomas O'Leary, to close nominations. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

The vote for David Olson as Chairman was unanimous.

David Olson made a motion, which was seconded by Judith Novachek, to nominate Robert DiMatteo as Vice-Chairman.

Judith Novachek made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to close nominations. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

The vote for Robert DiMatteo as Vice-Chairman was unanimous.

David Olson made a motion, which was seconded by First Selectman Knickerbocker, to nominate Thomas O'Leary as Secretary.

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to close nominations. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

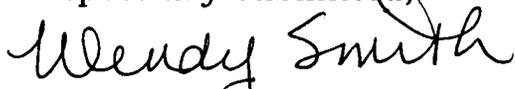
The vote for Thomas O'Leary as Secretary was unanimous.

Establish meeting schedule

It was agreed to hold their first meeting on Tuesday, March 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at which time a meeting schedule would be adopted.

As there was no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary