

**Approved 6-18-2003**

**ACADIA DISPOSAL DISTRICT  
Minutes of the meeting of May 29, 2003  
at Somesville Fire House**

**PRESENT:** Scott Harper (Tremont), Bob Kates (Trenton), Beverly Sanborn (Cranberry Isles), Tony Smith (Mount Desert), Leon Yeaton (Pleasant Bay Management)

**VISITORS:** Sherry Churchill (HCPC), Ellen Brawley (MD), Lyle Dever (SWH), Rob Stuart (Frenchboro)

**CALL TO ORDER:** 10:00 am

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion:** (Smith, Sanborn) approved 3-0 to approve the minutes from the April 22, 2003 meeting.

**REGULAR BUSINESS:**

- a. Tony welcomed Scott Harper who represents the town of Tremont, which recently voted to join the District.
- b. Report from Leon Yeaton:
  1. He met with Rob Stuart from Frenchboro, and had a very productive meeting. (See his memo). They want to join ADD, and will move to get contracts with PERC and EMR.
  2. Three towns are (almost) on line with the uniform reporting system. When fully in use, this will allow us to have combined info for the entire district, which will be very useful when soliciting bids etc. Lyle said we should be able to get SWH onto the system as well.
  3. Lee asked all the towns to provide cost figures for spring (or other periodic) cleanups.
  4. Interlocal Agreement. Once we have accepted the agreement and the selectmen have signed it, further changes can only be made after town meeting approval. Adding new member towns does not require such approval.

**MOTION** (Kates, Sanborn) to accept the Interlocal Agreement labeled "Tony Smith Draft – Final copy 5-8-03" as the text of the final document. Carried 3-0.

Each director should take a blank copy of the agreement to the selectmen to be signed prior to the next meeting, and bring the signed copy to the meeting.

5. Organizational meeting: June 18<sup>th</sup>, 10 am, Somesville. If anyone has any changes, please get them to Leon right away. Prior to the organizational meeting, each director should be officially appointed by the selectmen and sworn in.
6. Filings: Leon will file the corporate papers by Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2003.
- c. Report from directors as to when their selectmen will sign:

Tony: June 16<sup>th</sup>.  
Beverly: Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> (if she has a copy available by then)  
Bob: either June 3 or June 10<sup>th</sup>.
- e. (taken out of order) There was discussion of where we stand with Ellsworth, and the status of the Crooked Road site. It seems that Ellsworth won't join the district unless we are planning to use their transfer station. It also appears that it would be very expensive

to get the permissions and access to the Crooked Road site. It is landlocked, and is located in a non-member town.

**MOTION** (Smith, Sanborn)

1. Convey to Ellsworth our immediate interest in exploring further their joining the district and the utilization of their transfer station.
2. Authorize the chair to send a letter to EMR asking if they are still interested in selling the property and have them propose a price for the transfer station.
3. Encourage the towns with a legal interest in the Crooked Road site to retain that interest.

Motion carried, 3-0.

Lee will draft letters to Ellsworth and EMR, and he and Tony will work them out and send them. These letters should request a concrete response by a specific date.

Rob suggested that the sacrifice in time to go to the Ellsworth transfer station from MDI is offset by the economies of scale increasingly needed with the more stringent regulations coming on line between 2005 and 2008. Sherry agreed to write up a memo on the new laws we will have to follow over the next few years. This will be important information to have during the public education process.

It was agreed that public education will be a major function of the solid waste committee in each town. Bob suggested that if we go with the Ellsworth transfer station option, it might be helpful to have access to the Ellsworth transfer station for a while before EMR access is closed off.

Leon suggested that each member check the PERC figures against the amount of trash taken to EMR, to see whether the formula used by EMR to allocate the PERC amounts should be changed.

- d. Consultant bills: Tony will be sending around some January bills and some lawyer bills.

It was suggested that the ADD needs an address (Tony's?) and an email account. Tony will look into this.

**NEXT MEETING: 10:00 am, Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2003 at Somesville Fire House.**

**ADJOURNMENT: 11:33 am**

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen T. Brawley  
(Minor revisions by Tony Smith, 6-10-03)