

ACADIA DISPOSAL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Organizational Meeting
June 18, 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), Laurie Schreiber (Bar Harbor Times)

CALL TO ORDER: 10:10 am

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion: (Kates, Sanborn) approved 3-0 to approve the minutes from the May 29, 2003 meeting.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

a. Organizational Business

1. **Certificate of Organization:** Beverly Sanborn, (representing Cranberry Isles), Bob Kates (representing Trenton) and Tony Smith (representing Mount Desert) signed the Certificate of Organization. Notary Lyle Dever witnessed the signatures and will notarize the document for presentation at the next meeting.
2. **By-Laws:** Bob expressed concern that the bylaws called for too much bureaucracy for the initial period of the organization. Tony countered that he felt it important that the entire structure be in place from the beginning. **MOTION:** (Kates, Sanborn) approved 3-0, to approve the bylaws dated 5/31/2003, as revised to replace the word "below" for "above", "Interlocal" for "interposal" and "supercede" for "supersede".
3. **Officers: MOTION:** (Kates, Sanborn) approved 3-0, to elect the following slate:
Chairman: Tony Smith
Treasurer: Beverly Sanborn
Clerk: Ellen Brawley
It was agreed that Tony Smith would assist both Beverly and Ellen with their respective duties.
4. **Financial: MOTION:** (Kates, Sanborn) approved 3-0, to authorize the Treasurer or the Chairman to sign checks, subject to specific Board approval for any check over \$1000.00.
5. **Bank Account: MOTION:** (Kates, Sanborn) approved 3-0, to authorize the Chairman and the Treasurer to set up a bank account with Bar Harbor Banking and Trust Company.
6. **Insurance: MOTION:** (Kates, Sanborn) approved 3-0, to authorize the Chairman to investigate insurance through Maine Municipal Association.
7. **Terms: MOTION:** (Kates, Sanborn) Effective June 18, 2003, approved 3-0, to accept Bob Kates as the director from Tremont for a one year term, Beverly Sanborn as the director from Cranberry Isles for a two year term, and Tony Smith as the director from Mount Desert for a three year term, subject to the receipt of letters of appointment from the respective Boards of Selectmen. On the

expiration of these initial terms, subsequent terms for directors from each town will be for three years.

8. **Press Release:** Bob and Sherry will prepare a news release to be sent (at least) to the Bar Harbor Times, Mount Desert Islander, Ellsworth American and the Bangor Daily News.

- b. **Status of Interlocal Agreements:** Trenton's and Cranberry's have been signed; Mount Desert's will be signed at the next Board of Selectmen's meeting. Leon reminded the directors that a copy of the Interlocal Agreement must be filed with the Town Clerk.
- c. **Local Solid Waste Committees:** Mount Desert's committee is in summer (on call) mode. Trenton, Tremont and Cranberry Isles do not yet have a committee in place. Bob suggested that it would be useful to have a discussion of the purpose of a solid waste committee, and a list of items to consider.
- d. **Status of the letters to Ellsworth and EMR:** There has been no response from Ellsworth, which is not surprising considering the upheavals in City Hall. Sherry reported that she and Hank Tyler of the State Planning Office will be meeting in July with Councilor Greg Louder and Mayor Lee Beal to discuss the efficiency of their MSW operation. She also spoke with the landowner abutting the Ellsworth Transfer Station. He has 30-50 acres he would be willing to consider selling, or might be willing to subdivide. A letter from EMR expressed interest in discussions, but stressed the importance that "all discussions and/or negotiations are kept private and confidential".
MOTION: (Kates, Sanborn) approved 3-0 to authorize the Chairman to follow up with EMR and also to follow up with phone calls to Ellsworth.
- e. **Consultant Billings:** The towns now owe for their share of the first year's operating expenses. As other towns join, the initial expenses will be recalculated, and charter towns will be credited. **MOTION:** (Kates, Sanborn) approved 3-0, to authorize the Chairman to pay Lee's bills through today as startup expenses, and to provide a report of total startup costs.
- f. **Other Business:** Sherry spoke of some of the new laws and rules we have to be aware of:
 1. the backyard burn ban
 2. the arsenic bill
 3. Universal Waste Bill (mercury), (municipalities and business must follow the procedures already, residents will be liable 1/1/2005)
 4. mercury switches in autos
 5. a GNP landfill in Old Town being considered for purchase by the state.Bob asked what resources will be available to us in for dealing with Universal Waste by 2005. Is there is a role for ADD in dealing with this before we have our own facility? Sherry pointed out that we would have to be permitted by DEP to have our own collection site. It was agreed that we should be looking for universal and hazardous waste solutions. Sherry will make a presentation to us at the next meeting, and we can discuss options.

- g. Bond and insurance costs were discussed in brief. Lee Yeaton pointed out that ADD insurance coverage should include fidelity and basic liability. These will cover, for example, the use of individuals using their personal vehicles when conducting ADD business. Lee suggested we contact Bill Grindle at J.T. Rosborough about insurance coverage and ask them to make a presentation to us. It was then suggested that we should

be able to obtain insurance through MMA as a quasi-municipal organization. Sherry said she has a contact there and will check for us. She will then contact Tony with any information.

h. It was suggested that members of ADD attend training sessions or workshops on the subjects of pay systems and solid waste laws.

i. It was decided to hold the next meeting at HCPC in Ellsworth if we are going to have a presentation by an insurance provider or, if not, hold it in Somesville.

NEXT MEETING: 1:30 pm, Wednesday July 16, 2003 either at HCPC or at the Somesville Fire House.

ADJOURNMENT: 11:55 am

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen T. Brawley, Clerk