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ACADIA DISPOSAL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
July 21, 2005 at the Somesville Fire Station

PRESENT: Ellen Brawley (clerk), Lyle Dever (SWH), Bob Kates (Trenton), Tony Smith (Mount Desert), Elliott Spiker (Tremont), Leon Yeaton (Pleasant Bay Management)

ABSENT: Beverly Sanborn (Cranberry Isles).

VISITORS: Lee Worcester and Damaris Smith(EMR), Sherry Churchill (HCPC), Cheryl and Tim Harper (Trenton)

CALL TO ORDER: 1:35

MOTION: To approve the minutes of May 19st, 2005. Carried 4-0.

Treasurer's Report: Elliott provided a Treasurer's Report, showing each town's share of the \$16,570.25 to be raised for the 2005 budget. (We had \$4451.81 in funds carried forward from 2004.) He has sent out invoices to all the towns, Cranberry Isles and Mount Desert have paid.

MOTION: (Kates, Dever) To accept the Treasurer's Report with thanks. Carried 4-0.

Possible Transfer Station in Trenton: Tony introduced Cheryl and Tim Harper. Cheryl has approached him about the possibility of a public/private partnership in a transfer station on a portion of her 500 acres located between the Bayside Road and Route 3 in Trenton. She made it clear that she wants her land to turn a profit, but she sees that a transfer station might be a good business opportunity. She is not interested in selling any of the land.

Lee Yeaton had talked with people at the DEP about public/private partnerships. One key piece of information is that whoever permits the site must be in charge of the operation. Concerns about traffic on the Bayside Road were expressed, Cheryl said that there is a dirt road with a town sign "Old Turnpike Rd" that appears to go in from Route 3 to her land which might provide more suitable access. The land has a peat bog at the NE end, but it seems that the Old Turnpike Road ends up in a different section.

Tony and Bob will be a committee of two to investigate the possibilities. Lee Yeaton will contact the DEP for further information, and set up an informational meeting, at which the Harpers will be welcome. Tony will get the tax map and the names of the abutters, he already has a soils map for the area. Tony will also contact a former CES colleague, Sean Small, for advice.

Lee Yeaton Report: Beth Gott has not yet responded to our request for a door-to-door estimate. It was pointed out that this is a very busy season for her. Lee has heard nothing from Mark Wright Disposal in Columbia. He distributed copies of the OCC report, and asked permission to send copies to the town managers. They should be interested in the avoided costs from recycling the cardboard, about \$17,000. In addition, if our contracts didn't prevent it, we might have shared in approximately \$12,000 in market revenues for the cardboard.

MMA Accident Insurance: **MOTION** that Tony purchase accident insurance from MMA. Carried 4-0.

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Cranberry Isles Update: Beverly discussed with Tony that she might want to step down from her ADD post, due to lack of time. Tony will contact the Leafs to follow up on this.

Meeting to recognize Solid Waste Committees: It was agreed that one meeting a year should be designated to recognize the help of the town committees and to solicit input from them. It was agreed to schedule this meeting during or near Maine Recycles Week in November.

MRC News: Lee Yeaton asked us to be aware of the importance of the happenings around the West Old Town landfill. Should that facility not be available for Casella to handle the residue from PERC, our costs will go up substantially. They have capped the landfill and are burning off the gases, which should reduce the odor problem.

There was a fire at PERC, but they are back in full operation now.

Lee pointed out that while out of state trash is accepted at a lower rate than members' trash, it is only accepted at times of the year when the locally produced trash is inadequate to keep the generator running. If we did not import trash at these times, our overall costs would increase.

Tony was asked to allow his name to go into nomination for the MRRA Board.

HHW Contract: Sherry distributed a draft contract for our October 1st HHW collection at the High School. The League of Towns has volunteered to subsidize the startup costs to the tune of \$2800, we will have to bill the towns for the rest in proportion to the number of users from each town. Some of the costs may be reduced by a grant from the State Planning Office. Because we'll have to bill the towns, Tony asked Sherry to request a 60 day payment clause rather than the 30 in the draft.

Universal Waste: We will do a universal waste collection at the same time, thru Environ. Residents will be asked to prepay when they register at the town offices for big expensive items, such as TV sets or computer monitors.

Sherry will get information out to the towns, including posters and instructions, in August. It was suggested that we get volunteers from the town solid waste committees to help with the collection.

MOTION: that Tony be authorized to sign the contract if no changes are emailed to him prior to Tuesday the 26th of July. (Dever, Spiker) Carried 4-0.

ASSIGNMENTS PER DIRECTOR: Tony and Bob will work on the Trenton transfer station.

NEXT MEETING: 1:30 pm, August 18th at the Somesville Fire House.

ADJOURNMENT: 2:42
Respectfully submitted, Ellen T. Brawley, Clerk