

White River Alliance

Solid Waste Board

August 12, 2020

Those in attendance: Moe Brigham, Judi Brigham, Robert Young, Jenn Bartleman, Rebecca Beguin, David Barker, Jerry Barcelow

Call to Order: 6:57PM

Clerk Position: Following the resignation of Megan Fuerst as note taker, Judi B was appointed to be the clerk for future board meetings. Motion by Robert Y; second by David B, all in favor.

Minutes for 07/08/20 meeting were accepted as written; Minutes for 08/12/20 meeting were amended to read: SWIP Grant is for 4 years, not 5 as previously indicated. Motion to accept minutes as amended by Rebecca B.; seconded by Robert Y.

Financial Report: Discussion of handwritten notes in the margins of the Budget Status Reports regarding the deposits to bring them up-to-date ensued. Bank has indicated that it will provide statements at the end of each month. Consensus of board members is that handwritten notes for "real time" deposits are fine as long as they are explained.

Rates/Alliance Fees: The BRTS is not meeting its expenses without the assistance of the Town of Bethel. Discussion ensued as to whether or not the BRTS could "stand on its own"? The new board members were advised that this had been looked into recently and it was found that it was not feasible due to the expenses it would incur. Discussion then ensued regarding adjusting the rates to help cover the deficiency that was recently discovered. Discussion on ways to increase revenue. Could have large loads of cardboard use the scale, Dave B feels that "out of alliance" people should be charged a higher rate, increasing Alliance fees to cover recycling/compost, etc. Motion by Rebecca B to increase the rates as indicated per Jenn's and Therese's calculations except on the recycling and food scraps, second by Robert Y. 3 Ayes; 1 Nay - motion carried to be effective 01/01/21 per Jenn's request.

Suggestion that perhaps the Royalton Constable could do a "town check" at the gate occasionally.

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters moved by Robert Y, seconded by Rebecca B. All in favor. Executive Session started 8:25PM

Executive Session ended: 8:31PM

Motion to hire Judi B on a per diem basis to help cover the cashiers office when Jenn is not available by David B, second by Rebecca B. Judi B abstained, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn at 8:34PM by Rebecca, second by Robert Y, motion carried.