

REGIONAL REFUSE DISPOSAL DISTRICT ONE

Board Meeting Minutes
 Monday, August 23, 2021
 31 New Hartford Road, Barkhamsted, CT 06063
 7:00 PM

Call to Order by Chairman William Marchand at 7:00 PM.

Attendance: Hans Andersen, Peter Bakker, JR, Moe Gabelmann, William Marchand, and Brenda Schaufler. And Debbie Angell

Public Comment: none

Approval of Minutes:

Board, June 28: Motion to approve by Brenda Schaufler, second by Moe Gabelmann Approved Unam.

Note: No Board meeting in July – lack of agenda items.

Treasurer's Report:

Motion to approve May and June Treasurer's Report: Motion to approve Moe, second by Brenda. Discussion

Regional Refuse Disposal District #1		
Transfer Request		
From	To	Amount
113 Contingency	305 Household Hazardous Waste	\$ 1,885.00
113 Contingency	112 Education	\$ 690
113 Contingency	206 Pension	\$ 12,425
201 Payroll	206 Pension	\$ 9,008
205 Workers Comp	207 Incentive Plan	\$ 508
201 Payroll	301A MIRA	\$ 17,752
201 Payroll	302 Landfill	\$ 10,376
401 Eng. Services	502 Recycling	\$ 600
404 Equip Maint	403 Site Development	\$ 5,048

Peter Bakker JR question why the transfer was needed for Pension. Debbie stated she would investigate this and get back to him tomorrow. Answer: End of fiscal year June 30, start of new year July 1. Adjustment done.

Administrator's Report: Debbie Angell presented her two-page report, covering actions May through current with many topics, from the audit to staffing concerns. She noted the phones have been replaced after two months of not all working properly – just need tag sale building phone fixed. Same power surge blew the sectional controller in the scale. HHW day is currently being planned for Sat. Oct 9, 9-2 somewhere TBD in Torrington. She has also been working with Atty Zimmerman regarding EPA testing.

Committee Reports:

B&O, oil burner: Hans Anderson updated the board on work he had done researching used motor oil furnaces. He has been talking to Gary Stewart as they utilize one. There was concern that we would not accumulate enough oil here. Prior to the PCB incident RRDD1 collected 5000-6000 gallons of used motor oil annually. Being shut down from collecting used motor oil during the environmental clean-up, residents started dropping their oil off at alternate locations. Currently RRDD1 receives just over 1000 gallons per year and instead of paying \$.85 per gallon to dispose of it, we give it away to a local resident, thus saving RRDD1. Next step – Debbie / Rick will measure the office and garage bays. Debbie reminded the board that Jim at one time investigated getting an oil burner as she saw it in past minutes. Debbie added that Norfolk Transfer Station has

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one as she saw it. She reminded the board that transfer stations MUST have all used motor oil dumped into the proper container (tank) by the end of each day, they cannot stay in travel containers, – that there are very specific regulations on used motor oil). Hans stated he has not yet been out to see this one yet. Another concern of getting a burner for the garage bays is having to relocate the collection tank for the used motor oil. **Bay doors framework:** Debbie mentioned that we need to begin looking at rebuilding the framework around the bay doors as it is showing its age – deteriorating quickly – rust.

New Business:

American Tower proposal: No update

Replacement tires for John Deere 310: Motion by Moe Gabelmann, second by Brenda Schaufler to purchase the recommended needed tires, total \$6,390 (includes foam filling). Discussion: Debbie reported much investigation took place with WI Clark and Zeller regarding these tires. Concern – this is our most used machine and is always on the pavement, used for plowing, crushing debris in container, etc. Yokohama Model Hulk back tire \$1055 plus \$1600 to foam fill and labor, Carlyle front tires are \$540 with foam filling. Motion withdrawn as board felt a second quote was warranted. Debbie will contact Toce, for comparison.

EPA Testing and requirements: Debbie reported that she had been in conversation with Atty Zimmerman who has been working with Allen Walker and Almerinda Silva. Debbie asked Mark – she was concerned about the depletion of funds in the account and the addition of testing PFAS and 1,4 Dioxane. Mark stated that if the account ran out – RRDD1 would be responsible, as it was set up for RRDD1 to put money in annually since it started but that did not happen.

Debbie questioned Atty Zimmerman regarding compliance as no sampling was taken in 2019/2020. Reply: next testing needs to be coordinated with EPA when they can schedule the lab analysis, costing about \$40,000 (with EPA doing the PFAS and 1.4 Dioxane). Mark, in his email, question – Will EPA end up charging RRDD for the PFAS sampling as part of its oversight invoice? Answer: NO, per Almerinda. Lastly, the question regarding the advance of the less strict cleanup criteria. Answer: Challenge as it appears to require an Explanation of Significant Difference (ESD) to change it from “background conditions” to state or federal cleanup criteria. The ESD is a significant effort for Almerinda to do, and she does not seem inclined to do it. Or, that the cost may be billed back to the RRDD as oversight costs. He added that she unintentionally noted that it came up with CTDEEP, but she did not want to say anything more about it.

Comparisons: MSW / Landfill / Freon Appliances:

	2015		2020	
A/C:	292	A/C:	575	(Increase 200%)
Refrigerators:	168	Refrigerators:	309	(Increase 280%)
Landfill:	470 Ton	Landfill:	1,167 Ton	(Increase 250%)
Landfill	2021= 7 months =		954 Ton	(Increase 300%)

Stickers Sold: 21/22 prior to July 1: \$273.620

Annual \$125	second \$10	½ Year \$75	second \$10	Contractor \$190	second \$10
1960	302	114	5	87	47

Painting: Tag Sale Building and office metal roof: Still waiting for contractors to return with a bid. Many applied they are booked out for months / next year with the heavy real estate market today – many painters needed!

Pension Resolution: Motion by Peter Bakker, JR, second by Moe Gabelmann to accept the resolution to add the Chairman of the Board as a Secondary Trustee. Motion passed unanimously

Propane Tanks: Debbie reported that the small one-pound tanks continue to be an issue. We do not accept them unless they have a hole in them, however we find them hidden in many areas on site and quickly remove them, so others do not see them. All tanks are an issue lately as both firms used in the past (Mighty Flame and Blue Rhino) are having issues getting drivers. Mighty Flame split their partnered firm. One part picks up 20# tanks and Mighty Flame picks up one pound, but you need like 1000 1# tanks for them to come from NH. Their transport last time off site was questionable, with no safety triangles. Discussion was held regarding getting holes in them. Metal vendors will not accept them unless a hole in them. These are no longer accepted at HHW day either. Debbie stated Blue Rhino will be picking up the 1# tanks on site for \$3 each just to get them off site and clean up the area. We get paid \$2 each for the 20# tanks.

Audit: Motion to approve the 19/20 audit as presented by George Sinnamon, CPA by Moe Gabelmann, second by Brenda Schaufler. Approved unanimously

Adjourn: Moe Gabelmann, 2nd by Brenda Schaufler at 8:23.

Next meeting: Monday, September 27 at 7:00 pm