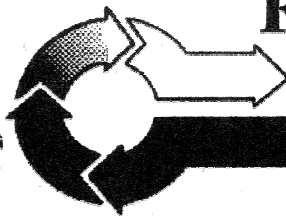


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DISTRICT BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES MEETING MINUTES February 8, 2017

Representatives and Alternates Present: Andrea Donlon – Buckland; Peg Dean – Charlemont; Jonathan Lagreze – Colrain; Lynn Rubinstein – Conway; MA Swedlund – Deerfield; Arthur Cohen – Gill; Kara Leistyna – Heath; Macayalla Silver – Leverett; Lewis Becker – Leyden; Chris Boutwell – Montague; Bob MacEwen – Northfield; Priscilla Curtis – Orange; Quint Dawson – Whately

Representatives Absent: Ron Andrews – Bernardston; Tim Fannin – Deerfield; Pete Sanders – Erving; Lloyd Crawford – Hawley; Edith Watson – New Salem; Nathan L'Etoile – Northfield; ; Terry Narkewicz – Shelburne; Tom Fydenkevez – Sunderland; Michael Mankowsky – Warwick; Alex Lankowski – Wendell; Ronnie Williams – Whately

Others Present: Jan Ameen – Executive Director; Amy Donovan – Program Director; Susan Conger – Administrative Assistant

The meeting was held at 50 Miles Street, Greenfield. It was called to order at 7:12 p.m.

I. FY18 Proposed Budget: After the November 2016 Board meeting, the proposed FY18 budget was sent to District towns for their review. No town sent comments or requested any change to the budget.

The public hearing was opened at 7:12 p.m. One member of the general public was present, but did not offer comment. The public hearing was closed at 7:18 p.m.

A motion was made by Chris Boutwell and seconded by Quint Dawson that the proposed \$1.5 million budget be adopted as presented. Passed unanimously.

II. Review and Accept Minutes: A motion was made by Chris Boutwell and seconded by M.A. Swedlund to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2016 meeting. Passed unanimously.

III. Clean Sweep and Household Hazardous Waste Reports: Expenses for the October Clean Sweep exceeded income by almost \$1400. One reason for this is the very high cost of electronics pickup. Given that residents have various other options for proper disposal of electronics, we're considering not including these items in future Clean Sweeps. We are also considering holding only one Clean Sweep collection a year, instead of two.

Overall attendance at the Household Hazardous Waste Collection (held Oct 1, 2016) was lower this year. Eighty-two percent of the registrations came through our online registration system; that's the highest percentage of any year to date.

IV. Executive Director's Report: Jan is working on the annual reports due to Mass DEP next week; these must be submitted in order for towns to be eligible for DEP's grants in June. Jan has compiled the towns' recycling rates data. Montague WWTP is once again accepting sludge from other local towns, though only in limited quantities. For more details, see the Executive Director's report.

V. Program Director's Report: Five of the seven Greenfield public schools are now composting, and by doing so, collectively reducing their trash weight by at least five tons per month! Amy expects that by March 2017, twenty-three Franklin County public schools will have major composting programs in place. For more details, see the Program Director's report.

VI. Town Reports / New Business / Schedule Next Meeting:

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 7 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The following written materials were used at the meeting:

- Executive Director's Report
- Program Director's Report
- FY18 proposed budget
- Household Hazardous Waste Day report
- Clean Sweep report
- Calendar year 2016 Recycling Rate report