



SSRC MSW Manager/Board Minutes

November 16, 2011, Weymouth Town Hall

SPONSOR: Electronic Recyclers International

Accepted December 15, 2011

Attendance: **Abington:** Sharon White*; **Hanover:** Steve Herrmann*; **Hanson:** Deborah Brownell*; **Hingham:** Brenda Black*, Randy Sylvester*; **Kingston:** Doug Buitenhuis*; **Norwell:** Joanne Dirk*; **Plymouth:** Kerin McCall*; **Weymouth:** Bob O'Connor*, Matthew Brennan; **Whitman:** Louis D'Arpino*

Dan Balboni, MassDEP; Casey Ackerman, Capital Paper Recycling; Claire Sullivan, SSRC

* Appointed Board Members

9:15 Ms. Dirk called the meeting to order, introductions.

Terry Grady, **Electronic Recyclers International** tgrady@electronicrecyclers.com

ERI has 7 US facilities, new 150K sf one in Holliston. BAN e-Stewards certified, EPA R2 certified. Shredding system separates components, except screens, which are hand demanufactured. Scrap metal to Excel Recycling. Partners with Alcoa, Nikko (copper recycler).

Customer Samsung contacted him 3 weeks ago, wants to conduct 3 free ewaste events in Mass. before Jan. 1. He contacted SSRC to set up; we are scheduling events to run from 9 am – 3 pm in Plymouth (12/3), Hanover (SS Vocational School), and Abington HS (both 12/10). They will be open to all residents, munis and businesses. Will accept anything with a plug except large appliances. 4 tractor trailers at each location, not sure what to expect. Will provide police detail, cover any DPW costs if needed. Advertise in newspapers, website, local cable access (send contact info to Mr. Grady and Ms. Sullivan), 1800recycling.com. Asked towns to put on marquis', notify departments, Councils on Aging.

Will have a link www.electronicrecyclers.com/collection-events to a webpage to advertise. ERI graphics dept will design ad. Great cost avoidance to munis.

Special events, separate, towns are not paying, so no contract issues. SSRC will publicize, we don't have a contract. Don't take materials already placed in municipal collection containers.

Will invite SSRC to a tour. More events in 2012, other areas of state, depending on amount in Samsung's budget.

ERI is on State Contract, picks up at transfer stations, uses PackRat containers. 5-6000 lbs/container. Unload and separate items by hand, provide list of weights. Charge by the pound.

Approve October **minutes:** Mr. Herrmann moved to accept as written, Ms. White seconded, AIF

Treasurer's report – didn't distribute; all members paid in full; DEP funds reimbursed; need to tweak spreadsheet to reflect grant reimbursements properly.

Extension of grinding and screening contracts: Daniels (screening) and Letourneau (horizontal grinding)- no business from contracts, both offered extension at no rate increase. Norwell just contacted Letourneau for a quote. Others said there is no money budgeted for this service.

Mr. Herrmann moved to extend the screening contract with Daniels one year, Ms. Dirk seconded, AIF.

Ms. White moved to extend the horizontal grinding contract with Letourneau one year, Ms. Dirk seconded, AIF.

Hingham has used the tub grinding contract with New England Recycling several times. NER proposed a 5% price increase for the next year.

Mr. Sylvester moved that the tub grinding contract with NER be extended for one year at the proposed rate, Ms. Dirk seconded, AIF.

Executive Director's Report:

Fall **HHW collection** summary distributed. Attendance, costs down significantly, similar to other municipalities. Spring scheduling is in process.

Regional disposal contract – SEMASS offered to buy Yarmouth Transfer Station, Yarmouth wants to sell, going out to bid. Plan to have done in time for spring Town Meeting vote. This will affect several Cape towns with respect to the long term disposal contract, so negotiations are on hold until that is settled. There is still 3 years before Tier 1 contracts expire.

SSRC Website – new and improved website is launched. Please review your town's page for accuracy.

Privately funded public space trash/recycling service – Investigating Creative Outdoor Advertising, provides privately funded trash/recycling kiosks for public spaces, maintains with local help, pays municipalities through the ads. National company, operates in CT, NY, NJ, FL, elsewhere. Revere is planning to use. Invite to speak? Board advised to see how it works in Revere first.

Legislation updates- Updated Bottle Bill Coalition delivered 15K postcards to legislature in October, Yvonne Abraham wrote column in the Sunday Globe supporting. Leadership is reportedly holding back committee from reporting out.

No news on Ewaste bill.

Seeking feedback on www.recycleyourplastics.org/ - national guidelines for plastics recycling. Is it accurate for your municipality's program?

Discussion: Textile recycling potential, promotion, options. Hanover weighs in and out, Bay State Textile is working well, provides container, transport; Investigate alternatives, competition? Worth looking into, don't get too optimistic about more money. Mr. Sylvester will join, do a bid? Make a menu of options; Need more volume; "clean rags"?

Food Waste recycling: APlus is about to open Middleboro site to accept 30 TPD food waste, single stream recyclables. Just sold commercial and residential service to ABC Disposal; Invite Ron High to speak at meeting. Can he take meat with food waste? Work with schools.

New business – Ms. Dirk: Sat., 10 am-12 composting workshop at Norwell recycling center, giving away compost bin. Selling bins for \$53. Abington sells cheaper. Norwell collecting veggie oil at recycling center with Amenico. Town receives about 50c/gallon in revenue.

Mr. Balboni: Tim Gould, Agresource in Amesbury is looking for composted yard waste. Abington needs it taken away.

EOMS is taking carpet. Not sure of requirements.

Scrap metal is paying about \$200/ton. Norwell only gets \$100/ton, includes hauling. Ms. Sullivan will send NRRA published rates with OBM pricing.

Next meeting: December 15, Plymouth Library; January 19, Hanson. Check for conflicts.

10:50 Mr. Herrmann moved to adjourn, Mr. Sylvester seconded, AIF.