



SSRC MSW Manager/Board Minutes

June 6, 2013, Hanson Town Hall

Sponsored by New Bedford Waste Services

Attendance: **Abington:** Sharon White*, Lorraine Mavrogeorge; **Cohasset:** Merle Brown *, Mary Snow*;
Duxbury: Bruce O'Neil; **Hanover:** Steve Herrmann*; **Hanson:** Merry Marini; **Hingham:** Randy Sylvester*;
Kingston: Paul Basler*, Gene Wyatt; **Plymouth:** Kerin McCall*; **Rockland:** Rudy Childs*, Janice McCarthy;
Scituate: Kevin Cafferty*; **Weymouth:** Bob O'Connor*; **Whitman:** Lou D'Arpino

Janine Delaney, **MassDEP**; Larry Barrett, consultant; Claire Sullivan, **SSRC**; Dan Balboni, Mike Camara, **New Bedford Waste**

9:18 Chairman Merle Brown called to order

Mike Camara, President of **New Bedford Waste Services/ABC Disposal** and Dan Balboni introduced a Rochester MSW/recycling facility plan, to be called Zero Waste Solutions LLC, as a new way to manage solid waste, maximize recovery of resources.

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New facility will take MSW, C&D, Single, dual stream and source separated recyclables. Will transfer C&D to New Bedford processing facility. Making a huge investment in a 3 phase process to pull recyclables out of MSW, in addition to taking separated recyclables. Recycle all they can.

Non-recyclable material will be combined with C&D residuals from the New Bedford facility, converted to Eco-Tac fuel briquettes. Coal fuel substitute, same BTU value as coal, low emissions, beneficial price to coal and biomass plants, cement kilns. There is a waiting list for the fuel briquettes, as they will help coal facilities meet new emission standards. Process removes arsenic, lead, mercury, PVC, etc. before conversion.

Solar panels will be installed on full roof, will provide all energy needs for facility. Processing building will be enclosed, with a sprinkler system.

Facility will have two tip floors, one for recycling, one for trash. Positive sort recyclables out of trash. Anticipate 5-8% residuals that will need to be landfilled.

Finalizing permitting with DEP. The fuel briquette is in the process of being approved as a non-waste fuel by the EPA, which would make them eligible for RECs. Has local permits, order of conditions from Conservation Commission.

Food waste ban is coming, NBWS is implementing a food waste collection process from commercial sources, identifying outlets. Looking at vehicles for residential food waste collection. Start with commercial, then if communities are interested, will do a pilot.

NBWS operates 3 facilities: C&D processing in New Bedford, Transfer stations in Rochester and Sandwich. Partnering with a multibillion \$ company in MA., can't disclose yet. Goal is to franchise and license fuel technology. Minimize waste to landfill.

ABC Disposal, Inc. has >100 collection trucks, new ones are CNG, can do all sorts of hauling.

The 2 landfills in SE Mass are due to close 2014-15. This provides a safer alternative, as well as competition in this area, will moderate prices for disposal. NBWS is offering a below-market price for disposal. Plan to break ground this August, open Aug 2014. No guaranteed minimum tonnage. Encourage waste redux i.e. PAYT.

NBWS previously experimented with other technologies, i.e. ZGen, over the past 20 years. This is the technology they selected. Not a dirty MRF, would not fly in Mass. Pilot project at NB right now.

Bulk Styrofoam, plastic bags are ok, used to optimize fuel briquettes.

Purchased AW Martin. Accepting recyclables including large rigid plastics, competitive pricing. Anticipate high demand for recyclables. Higher pricing for source separated recyclables? Will ask partners, makes sense but he hasn't considered. Bales are very good quality.

Randy and Claire visited last week. Will invite SSRC to grand opening.

Approve **May minutes** Mr. Herrmann moved to accept the minutes as written, Mr. Cafferty seconded, AIF
Financial Report (Treasurer Paul Basler) provided YTD financials, reviewed transitional issues; this is his last report. Ms. White moved to accept the report, Mr. Sylvester seconded, AIF

Promotional handout unveiling: 24,000 copies of 5"x8" thick paper handouts were just delivered, will be distributed to towns, realtors, at HHW collections and events, etc. Still waiting for promised SEMASS \$1,500 contribution through MSP.

EBoard elections - Nominating Committee presented following slate: Chairman: Kevin Cafferty, Scituate
Vice Chairman: Merle Brown, Cohasset

Treasurer: Mary Snow, Cohasset

Secretary: Robert O'Connor, Weymouth

Mr. Sylvester moved to suspend Article 5, Section 1 of the Bylaws, which prohibits the election of two officers from the same town. Mr. Herrmann seconded, AIF

Mr. Herrmann moved that the slate of candidates for officer be elected. Mr. Sylvester seconded, AIF.

Mr. Brown presented awards to Ms. McCall, Mr. Basler for their service.

Support H719, "Resolve relative to establishing a comprehensive waste management hierarchy in Massachusetts"? (vote) <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/188/House/H719>- tabled, find out what the potential impact on RECs would be. ED directed to investigate if it would drive up LF costs.

MSP rebates: Should SSRC administer? Invite Ms. Howard, the MSP Coordinator at SEMASS, to explain how to do it. Executive director should do as much as she can to help towns recoup their rebates.

10:15 **Executive Director's Report: UPDATES**

COSC membership- need alternate? Cohasset? Scituate? Ask for the list of reps from Chairman Jeff Osuch. CS draft template for board members to send.

FY14 membership intentions; send FY14 invoices in June, date 7/1. Raise dues FY15. Get more towns. Need board help to promote. Halifax, Pembroke, Marshfield, Lakeville, Carver? Have Open House Fall.

Fall HHW scheduling- plan for it. Kingston, Abington had issues with dumpster. PSC contract extended through FY14. Address dumpster issue in next contract, fine for non-service.

Legislation/regulation report – Universal Recycling – met with sponsors, setting up meeting with Chairman Gobi

Updated Bottle bill – may be passed as budget amendment, in Conference Committee now. Bill is still in TUE if it doesn't pass in budget.

E-waste – sending letter from the alliance of organizations I have been working with to senate Ways and Means to protect municipal programs.

Regional contract negotiation status- SEMASS term sheet evoked concern about minimum tonnage. Negotiating Team and SEMASS broke out of CCC meeting for another negotiation. Can't disclose details until today or tomorrow. New sheet will change AMT terms. Attitude described as "condescending" by a member who was in attendance. SEMASS wants term sheet signed by 6/30, final date 11/30. What if they don't sign by then? Kingston signed extension, better deal than regional proposal. Kingston, Hingham have lower escalator, CPI. Tip fee will go up if AMT goes down. Charging what they think market will bear.

New business – KC not being paid paper rebates lately by IPR, rumor that paper plants in MA are closing.

Next meeting August 8, Scituate, Pier 44. Invite Patti H.

Adjourn 11:00

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SEMASS Material Separation Plan 6

The Municipal Waste Combustor Rule (310 CMR 7.08) requires large incinerators to prepare a Material Separation Plan that describes actions that the facility will take to remove mercury-containing products from the waste stream prior to incineration.

To obtain the municipal waste combustor's draft Material Separation Plan 6, please go to

<http://www.mass.gov/dep/recycle/solid/mspcomp.htm#facilities>.

Written comments on the MSP6 will be accepted until through December 7, 2012. Comments may be sent to:

Brooke Nash, MassDEP, One Winter St. 7th Floor, Boston, MA 02108 or to brooke.nash@state.ma.us.

Changes:

- Revamped TV, Radio

- Social media outreach

- No more Medical/dental

- New Mercury Rebate program to contract munis for certain items, in lieu of non-mercury devices:

 - \$0.10/ CFL

 - \$1/thermometer

 - \$4/thermostat or switch

 - \$10/blood pressure cuff

 - Transport and disposal costs still covered