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**SSRC MSW Manager/Board Minutes
Tuesday, June 25, 2019, Abington Town Hall**

Accepted August 22, 2019

Attendance: **Abington:** Angela Dahlstrom*, Marty Golightly*; **Cohasset:** Mary Snow*; **Duxbury:** Peter Buttkus*; **Hingham:** Randy Sylvester*, Brenda Black; **Kingston:** Paul Basler*, Jean Landis Naumann*; **Middleboro:** Donna Jolin*; **Rockland:** Stephen Nelson*; **Scituate:** Kevin Cafferty*; **Weymouth:** Fred Happel*; **Whitman:** Lisa Green

ABC Disposal/NBWS/ ZWS: Mike Camara; **GreenCastle Video:** Dan Miot; **MassDEP:** Ellie Donovan, Todd Koep; **SSRC:** Claire Galkowski, Dorie Stolley

(*Appointed Board Representatives)

Vice Chairman Basler called to order at 9:05.

Owner **Mike Camara** announced that the advanced recycling and waste sorting facility **Zero Waste Solutions (ZWS)** in West Wareham began operating last month. Its sister companies, ABC Disposal and New Bedford Waste Services, have been in business since 1967. Together they manage trash, recyclables, food waste, construction and demolition debris. They employ 165, and operate 90 CNG trucks.

Inspired by CA facilities, ZWS is taking in single stream recycling, mixed waste, and bagged food waste. He cautioned about declining disposal capacity. There is an oversupply of recyclables now. Waste conversion to fuel briquettes or ethanol is still on the table. Contamination in single stream recycling is a huge problem at the facility. Contaminants drive cost up. Dropoff material has better quality, will take at a lower price.

Processing cost is a floating number. Values are low. OCC \$28-32, down from \$160 last year. It costs \$50/ton to bale material. Dual stream wouldn't be any less costly than single stream.

They take separated food waste for composting. A picker pulls special compostable bags out before processing the rest. 15 facilities are taking. Diverting food waste will delay the disposal crisis.

Website pre-launch tour (Dan Miot, GreenCastle Video); ssrcoop.info was overhauled, is more user friendly, searchable. Webmaster gave a tour. Recycling A-Z is consolidated. Paint has own page. Please review Town Programs page. Launch July 1.

Board was invited to select a banner, will do survey. Took a group photo for Board page.

Accept Pembroke as an SSRC Member: Director met with Pembroke Town Manager and Assistant TM, signed IMA. Mr. Buttkus moved to accept, Mr. Nelson seconded, AIF

Approve **May minutes** : Ms. Landis-Naumann moved to accept, Mr. Sylvester seconded, AIF

HHW contracting – Committee reviewed draft IFB. Mr. Cafferty volunteered to join committee. 1 year plus 2 extension is max allowed. Reviewed dates. Release on 7 /10. Director thanked committee.

EBoard Elections: Mr. Golightly of Nominating Committee presented slate. Officers voted separately:

Chairman: Mr. Golightly moved to nominate Mr. Brown, Mr. Sylvester seconded, AIF

Vice Chairman: Mr. Golightly moved to nominate Mr. Basler Ms. Landis Naumann seconded, AIF (Mr. Basler abstained).

Treasurer: Mr. Golightly moved to nominate Ms. Dias, Mr. Cafferty seconded, AIF

Secretary: Mr. Golightly moved to nominate Mr. Beder, Mr. Cafferty seconded. Ms. Naumann noted that secretary needs to do the job. Not appropriate for Director to take notes and compile minutes. Need someone willing to take notes, review docs. AIF

RECO report (Dorie Stolley) Finished Rockland curbside, all transfer station evaluations, Plymouth hauler regulation compliance. Short term interventions reduced contamination, showed some rebound on curbside routes. Routes were troublesome to begin with. Some behaviors did improve, based on personal conversations.

Transfer station work with ongoing staff efforts, improved recycling behavior, reduced contamination, and recyclables in the trash. Staff continued to educate and enforce, used SSRC signs.

Private Hauling- Plymouth in process of re-updating regulations, streamlining process, emphasizing education. Give residents a voice for expressing concerns about service. Updated checklist, developing Access database to track.

Best practices will be listed in reports. Need longer term efforts.

Thanks for opportunity to work with towns and staff on this. She is motivated by our dedication.

Executive Director's Report

Review SSRC Updates

Membership dues- invoices will go out July 1. Please expedite, always low on funds in July.

Spring HHW review, summary- distributed summary of participation, costs, visitors.

New business Mr. Koep reported it was a stellar year for RDP. Broke record in our region with 24 munis out of 31 applying, \$394K forecast RDP. In FY17, 10 SSRC towns earned \$41K, this year 14 towns earned \$172K. This year >\$ million in total grants was requested.

Mr. Basler noted that Bob Brown of the Hanson DPW died last week.

Next meetings August 22, Kingston Town Hall. Pembroke has a nice library space.

Adjourn 10:42