

Hopkinton-Webster Refuse Disposal Committee
Minutes 1st September 2011
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Webster attendees: Barbara Corliss (chair), Tom Mullins (left meeting at 8:20), Ellen Kontinos-Cilley, Sally Embley

Webster absentees: Bob Drown Sr., David Klumb

Hopkinton attendees: Richard Kennedy, Richard Houston, Bob LaPree, Karen Irwin and Steve Clough (advisory member)

Public attendees: Frank Davis, Denis Goddard (Hopkinton Selectman)

The chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Alternate Sally Embley replaced Bob Drown Sr. as a voting member.

Tom Mullins motioned to accept August draft minutes with the addition of a paragraph outlining the alternates who replaced absentee members as voting members. Rich Houston seconded. The August minutes were approved unanimously.

Steve Clough presented the Facility After Hours Access Report.

Rich Houston delivered a presentation on security issues at the facility and outlined highlights of discussions he had with Hopkinton Police Chief Stephen Pecora. Chief Pecora advised that further security precautions may be in order. No police reports were available for committee review, but Steve Clough estimated there were 6 or 7 incidents in the last 10 years and small losses. Mr. Clough further indicated his concern for safety at the Pump House which houses the community well. Cost estimates for video monitoring systems range from \$2,000 to \$8,000 depending on the type of system, and some had monthly monitoring charges. There was also discussion of the parameters of facility property to be monitored. Rich Houston opined that fencing the entire perimeter would be cost prohibitive due to the fluidity of property lines and the existence of 4 abutting private roads.

Richard Kennedy made a motion to discuss installation of security cameras at the Pump House separately from security cameras at the remainder of the facility. Ellen Kontinos-Cilley seconded and this motion passed unanimously. Richard Kennedy then made a motion to recommend installation of security cameras at the Pump House. This motion passed with one member opposed, Sally Embley. No recommendation was made by the committee as to which type of monitoring system should be installed.

Bob LaPree made a motion that the committee request the Hopkinton Board of Selectmen to expend Recycling Revolving Fund money to finance a security camera monitoring system covering the balance of the facility. Rich Houston seconded. A voice roll call was requested by Richard Kennedy and was as follows: Richard Kennedy-YES; Sally Embley-YES; Tom Mullins-NO; Bob LaPree-YES; Karen Irwin-YES; Barbara Corliss-NO. Motion passed. No recommendation was made by the committee as to which type of monitoring system should be installed. Barbara Corliss will send a memo to the Hopkinton Board outlining the Board's recommendation to install and the source of funds.

At 8:20, Tom Mullins left the meeting and was replaced by alternate Ellen Kontinos-Cilley as a voting member.

Steve Clough presented Proposed 2012 budgets for Solid Waste and Transfer Station Departments. Ellen Kontinos-Cilley made a motion to grant Steve Clough authority to decide the type of camera monitoring system to be installed at the Pump House and to recommend the source of funds. Richard Kennedy seconded. Bob LaPree motioned for a voice roll call which was as follows: Barbara Corliss-YES; Ellen Kontinos-Cilley-YES; Karen Irwin-YES; Bob LaPree-YES; Sally Embley-NO; Richard Kennedy-YES. Motion carried.

Committee members will review each department budget prior to the next meeting and the Board will discuss items further at that time.

Chairman Corliss suggested that, due to the late hour, discussion of facility fees take place at the next monthly meeting. All members present agreed.

Under Other Business, public attendee Frank Davis expressed his opinion that the installation of security cameras for the balance of the facility other than the Pump House and the expending of funds from the Recycling Revolving Fund represent a waste of money.

Rich Houston motioned to adjourn at 9:23 and Richard Kennedy seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 PM.