Hopkinton/Webster Solid Waste Disposal Committee

Minutes of the meeting Jan 8, 2015
Webster Town Hall

Attendance: Ellen Cilley (W), Mike Greenwood (W), Harold Janeway (W), Sally Embley (W), Arthur Cunningham (H), Frank Davis (H), Rich Houston (H)
Absent: Steve Clough

Rich brought the meeting to order at 6:40 pm. The minutes were reviewed from december. Ellen moved to accept, seconded by Sally, and (6-0) decembers minutes were accepted.

Sally talked about the swap shop. In the past, a proposal for a large, $30,000, 4 bay, with a kiosk was rejected but Sally and the recycling committee would like to move forward with a minimalist type swap shop proposal like the one from last year. Sally put forth a motion, seconded by Frank to say "The Hopkinton/Webster Solid Waste Disposal Committee would like to move forward with the Swap Shop proposal as proposed last year." Voting yes, Frank, Mike, Sally, Rich. Voting NO, Arthur. Abstain, Ellen. The measure passes (4-1).

For 2015 action items Arthur asked that the committee be provided with monthly expense and receipt reports. Arthur feels the general ledger report is confusing and would like to see the septage, especially, broken out. Ellen would like to see

a swap shop design and operations description from Steve. Also for 2015, we need to know if we are closing the septage lagoons and where our septage would then go. Ellen mentioned that on Jan 12th there will be a joint select board meeting and that will give us a better idea on 2015 action items.

The topic of curbside pickup came up. Mike felt curbside was unfeasible for Webster with its rural character and class 6 roads. The recycling committee does not support curbside pickup or single stream. Arthur asked that the committee keep an open mind on that. We also discussed the pros and cons of closing the septage lagoons. A motion to adjourn was put forth by Ellen, seconded by Mike, and the meeting was over at 7:30 by unanimous vote. Next meeting Feb. 5, Hopkinton.