

Solid Waste Commission

July 27th, 2022 at 7 pm

Lebanon Town Hall Upper Conference Room

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** First Selectman Kevin Cwikla called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.
2. **Members**
 - A. Present: Ryk Nelson, Carol Morris-Scata, Mike Rota, Robert Nejake, Doug Blakelee (Transfer Station Supervisor), Kevin Cwikla (First Selectman)
 - B. Absent: None
 - C. Others Present: One audience member present
3. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:**
 - A. No previous minutes available due to commission not meeting for previous two years
4. **Correspondence:**
 - A. None discussed
5. **Transfer Station Supervisor Report:**
 - A. Will be part of future meetings, items shared by Doug during this meeting captured under New Business.
6. **Old Business:**
 - A. No old business
7. **New Business:**
 - A. Appointment of Chair and Secretary: Commission discussion held on these roles with selection of Ryk Nelson as Chair and Mike Rota as Secretary. Appointments approved by commission with unanimous vote.
 - B. Meeting Schedule: Proposed meeting schedule of 3rd Monday's of September, January, April, and July at 7 pm. Additional special meetings may be needed during February and March to support budgeting process. Next meetings proposed to be on these dates pending commission approval of schedule.
 - September 19th, 2022
 - January 16th, 2023
 - April 17th, 2023
 - July 17th, 2023
 - C. Ongoing Meeting Topics: Discussed future meetings needing pre-published agendas, should include Transfer Station Supervisor's Report, Public Works Director report, any correspondence from town, bills and budget documents from town, waste tonnage reports, and quarterly landfill well monitoring reports.

D. Future Meeting Items: Due to Commission not meeting for a period of time, a list of future meeting topics and potential Transfer Station Improvements was discussed:

1. Review safety protocols
2. Look at costs due to transfer station costing town money annually
3. Concrete pad by area where brush is dumped
4. Railings or other similar features at bulk waste dumpsters
5. Adding a truck scale
6. Running water at transfer station
7. Building upgrades
8. Bush cleanup at road edge for visual clearance when exiting
9. Methods to slow down vehicles (speed bumps, speed limit sign)

E. Public Comments:

1. Significant material being dumped by town residents that originates in towns outside of Lebanon that is created from businesses owned by Lebanon residents. Should there be consideration for how this material is being handled and what other towns are doing with this type of material.
2. Noted that largest source of waste is household trash

F. Action Items Identified:

1. Create Town of Lebanon emails for all members of commission (Ryk, Bernie)

8. **Adjournment**: The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Minutes Prepared and Respectfully Submitted by: Mike Rota
SWC Secretary

Please see the minutes of subsequent meetings for the approval of these minutes and any corrections hereto.