

Kensington Recycling Subcommittee Minutes of Meeting on October 22, 2019

Present: Vanessa Rozier, Lindsey Seavey, David Perkins, Ken Leonard

Meeting opened at 6:00 pm

- No return correspondence from Greenworks or Erin Banfield of Casella (after multiple attempts)
 - We believe Peter Merrill has toured Greenworks facility - David will reach out to Peter to discuss and possibly get contact info
 - Invite Chris Batchelder to meeting to discuss B&S pickup of trash and recycling:
Is the same truck used or different, are workers trashing or just leaving recycling bins contaminated with non-recyclable material, etc
 - Look into Southeast Regional Refuse Disposal District - 53-B, which we are apparently part of
Can this help us negotiate better terms for waste/recycling contracts?
Meeting for this being held 10/23 at 6:30pm in Rye - David may attend
Check if Buzzy Felch is our representative and whether he may also be going - Ken to reach out
 - Need to get Waste Management contract for review, determine when it expires
 - B&S contract apparently expires Aug of 2020
Per above reference to questions about B&S trucks: some residents have seen their recycling thrown in "same" truck as trash, is this because load was contaminated, or did it just appear to be same truck as trash pickup? If trash is picked up first and same truck is used, does trash contaminate recycling pickups?
 - Greenworks contract states \$55/ton, but very first few months of pickups appear to be charged rate of \$89/ton
Request invoices received from Greenworks to understand the reason for higher cost
 - Greenworks contract seems to have expired- was this renewed, or are we month-to-month? Request latest contract if renewed.
 - Confirm from BOS when they are expecting to get recommendations from this committee?
 - Committee to reach out to alternate vendors to get competitive pricing
Pennard, Casella, Covanta, call E. Kingston town hall to find out who their vendors are
David to look into SRRDD
Lindsey to reach out to E. Kingston town hall to discuss their vendors and rates for comparison
- Next meeting set for Tue 11/19, 6pm @ Town Hall (confirm no scheduling conflicts)