

**TOWN OF FAIRFIELD
SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES JULY 15, 2013**

The Solid Waste & Recycling Commission Special Meeting of the Town of Fairfield held its Special Commission Meeting on Monday, July 15, 2013 in the First Floor Conference Room, Independence Hall at 725 Old Post Road, Fairfield.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sharon Pistilli, Chairman, Paul Krumin, Vice Chairman, William Shoaf, Secretary, Wendy Brandt, Martinenas, Robert Stilson.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sheila Dravis and Virginia Casey

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Zemruski, Solid Waste Director and Ed Bowman, Assistant Director of Public Works.

CALL TO ORDER: The Public Meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Sharon Pistilli

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing heard.

NEW BUSINESS

• Flow Control Enforcement

Mr. Zemruski noted after researching flow control he found potential violations and will be sending out warning notices to the haulers who are in violation. He addressed one particular company, basing it on once a week collection coming into Fairfield, at 364 trips and only showing 125 trips, which leaves 239 violations.

Anthony Terenzolo with City Carting noted that's assuming its once a week; some haulers may come here every two weeks or even once a month. He also noted in his experience he has lost \$30,000 a month in revenue and doesn't know how much of that the Town is aware of. He further noted through private investigation, a hauler was followed and found out he was collecting trash in Fairfield and bringing it to another facility. Mr. Terenzolo expressed his concern on the majority of trash that is going out of town.

Mr. Krumin asked Mr. Terenzolo to provide a written summary of this experience to include dates, addresses, tape, etc., so this matter can be acted on.

Mr. Fredricson inquired as to the definition of putrescible waste.

Mr. Zembruski handed out a copy of the definition regarding putrescible waste and will be putting together detailed reports within the following weeks.

Robert Stilson left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

James Garcia with United Carting Company noted he is not in favor of flow control. Stan Topar commented that flow control was based on contract requirements. Once the CRRA Contract expires, flow control was supposed to end.

• Solid Waste & Recycling Budget 2013-2014

James Garcia with United Carting Company presented and discussed the following with the Commission:

How much to deliver Recycle Containers

Eight (8) Containers

How often are they dumped? No hauler uses these at all. This cost must come from the car tip fee.-*

1985 -- \$5 per ton -- 2013-- \$85 per ton

INCREASE: 1700%

1985--\$10.00 per house --2013 --\$40.00 per house

INCREASE: 400%

2010- Cars went from \$4.50 to \$5.00

70,000 Cars at \$5.00 per Car -- \$350,000.00

70,000 cars at 75 lbs. each 5,250,000 lbs. --2625 tons at \$85 per ton= \$223,125.00

70,000 cars at 100 lbs. each 7,000,000 lbs. -- 3500 tons at \$85 per ton= \$297,500.00

70,000 cars at 125lbs. each 8,750,000 lbs. --4375 tons at \$85 per ton\= \$371,875.00

70,000 cars at 150 lbs. each 10,500,000 lbs. --5250 tons at \$85 per ton= \$446,250.00

70,000 cars at 175 lbs. each 12,250,000 lbs. -- 6125 tons at \$85 per ton= \$520,625.00

70,000 cars at 200 lbs. each 14,000,000 lbs. - 7000 tons at \$85 per ton= \$595,000.00

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70,000 cars at 225lbs. each 15,750,000 lbs. -7850 tons at \$85 per ton= \$667,250.00

Mr. Garcia questioned the following: why does one ton of trash have three different prices per pound; how many are fixed income that don't pay the \$5.00 fee; how many are Town employees that are dumping their trash for free; how much does the eight containers cost.

After discussion:

Mr. Krumins noted looking at revenue per tonnage and taken an analysis of the number of cars for the past five years, the Commission proposed to change the following:

Cars 125 lbs. or less be raised from \$5.00 to \$5.50; commercial trucks per ton be raised from \$85.00 per ton to \$87.00 per ton; residential trucks be raised from \$91.00 per ton to \$94.00 per ton.

Mr. Krumins asked Mr. Zembruski to calculate and email the proposed changes to the Commission. This will be voted on at the next public hearing.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Bill Shoaf *moved* and Wendy Brandt, Martinenas, *seconded* to adjourn the hearing at approximately 8:15 p.m. *Motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Josephine M. Keogh