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WEST NEWBURY BOARD OF HEALTH
381 Main Street, Town Office Building
West Newbury, MA

MAY 09 2023

MINUTES

April 11, 2023 at 4:30pm - 2nd Floor Hearing Room

ATTENDEES:

BOARD: Robert Janes-Chairman, Blake Seale-Member, Thomas Fahey-Member

HEALTH AGENT: Paul Sevigny

ADMIN ASS'T: Jane Krafton

OTHERS: Steve Gillis-3 Farm Lane, Sue Brown-Town Planner.

R. Jane called meeting to order 4:30pm

I. BUSINESS:

- Reviewed March 21, 2023 minutes. **APPROVED 3-0-0**
- Health Agent reported to the Board that the Steele Landfill is going well, and everything is status quo. This past week R. Janes signed two additional proposals.
- Board reviewed trash tonnage report, and recognizes that the level funded line item for waste is running very tight on funds. Krafton will monitor and alert Board if the line item becomes overdrawn.
- Town Manager request for authorization for expenditure from the Curbside Revolving Account in order to reduce the deficit in the FY23 Recycling Collection Line Item in an email dated March 21, 2023. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by T. Fahey to authorize \$11,000 for the requested expenditure seconded by B. Seale. A vote to approve expenditure from the waste/recycling/compost revolving fund #24-510-4325-241010 for the underfunded recycling account #01-510-5291 for \$11,000 **APPROVED 2-1-0**. Noting that leaving funds in the Curbside Revolving Account are needed to support future trash, recycling and food composting programs.
- Krafton request early departure May 12, 2023 (tentative) and request for May 23rd as a vacation day. **APPROVED 3-0-0**
- Discussed Stormwater Regulations, R. Janes stated that he has not had the time to read through the entire document. B. Seale is concerned with the amount of time this regulation could pose onto the Health Agent. Sue Brown – Town Planner and the Health Agent explained that this regulation was different than the MS4 regulations that the DPW was in charge of and would still be in charge of. B. Seale had a better understanding of the BOH/Health Agent responsibilities. The proposal is for the Health Agent to be the reviewer and enforcer for projects that would alter (land disturbance) anything an acre or larger. S. Brown also stated that she is just looking for a verbal “ok” no need for a BOH vote and that there will be a meeting next Tuesday April 18th with the consultant who will be presenting the regulation to the Planning Board and suggests BOH attend if they are interested. Also, before the regulations are active, the Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing for a vote.
- Reviewed and discussed disposal proposals from WIN Innovation (Wheelabrator) and Covanta Haverhill for FY24-FY26 waste disposal. Proposals are fiscally very similar. Motion made by T. Fahey to award Covanta the 3-year contract for disposal. **Board voted 3-0-0 APPROVED.**