

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
TOWN OF PEMBROKE, NH  
JANUARY 18, 2021 at 6:30 PM**

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Present: Wendy Weisiger, Gerry Fleury, Sally Hyland, Richard Bean

Staff: David Jodoin, Town Administrator and VJ Ranfos, Pembroke Public Works Director, Bob Fanny, Public Works.

Absent a quorum, the Committee held an informal discussion with Haulers.

Tim Kenney, Senior District Manager for Waste Management out of Londonderry, Brian Groshon from Casella Waste, and Tony Belanger from Pinard Waste Systems in Hooksett joined the meeting. Wendy Weisiger and Gerry Fleury gave an overview of the steps the Committee has taken thus far and the changes the Committee is looking to make to the Town ordinances. Wendy explained that the major changes to the regulation will be to remove the requirement to separate out Pembroke trash and use the Town account at Casella.

Tony Belanger asked if the disposal companies are allowed to bring the waste to where ever they want. Wendy explained the Town is no longer putting restrictions on them for where they haul to.

Sally Hyland and Richard Bean joined the meeting at 6:45pm.

Wendy Weisiger officially opened the meeting at 6:45pm.

Sally Hyland asked the haulers if they report to the State of New Hampshire where they pick up and if it is residential or commercial. Tony Belanger stated when they get the report to fill out regarding where materials went, it doesn't ask for a breakdown of the type of entity. They do have to report by Town. The same is true for Waste Management and Casella.

Sally Hyland asked if the Town if the license to haul in town has certain requirements like they need to report where they are picking up. Tony Belanger stated they are required to fill out a permit but they have not heard of providing a customer list. Sally explained that in Nashua they require haulers to provide customer lists. Gerry Fleury stated he did not want to require haulers to provide information that the Town will not have a need for. Sally stated right now the haulers are required to provide customer lists. Tim Kenney stated that if they have already been doing it, then he does not anticipate an issue continuing to do it.

Brian Groshon asked when the effective date of the new ordinance being proposed for. Wendy Weisiger explained they still have some further discussions and then

they will present the changes to the Board of Selectmen. The Selectmen then need to hold a public hearing before formally approving the changes to the ordinance. Gerry Fleury added it may be implemented as early as this spring or early summer. The annual haulers permit expires on 12/30.

Sally Hyland asked if they are aware of anyone else who picks up in Pembroke and needs to be made aware of these changes. Tony Belanger stated he only knows of Zero Waste. Wendy Weisiger let the haulers know they will be notified when the changes are approved and take effect.

#### Next Steps for the Committee:

Sally Hyland asked who handles the annual reports to the DES. VJ Ranfos explained that KV Partner helps them out with the facility reports and they are in that process right now. Sally asked how they report waste. VJ explained he is new to his position and learning as they go through the process. Reno Nadeau previously handled this duty and he has retired. Bob Fanny explained they get a total weight count for the year and then it goes through KV Partners. The only portion that Pembroke Solid Waste handles is everyone's licenses as operators at the transfer station or in the truck. Sally asked if they know if they break down between commercial and residential waste. Bob answered he does not believe they break it down but they will find out shortly.

Bob Fanny asked if the Town plans to put the recycle truck out for bid. Gerry answered they may go out to bid but they need to decide on the requirements for the truck first. David Jodoin explained the Town requires competitive bids but they need to come up with bid specs first. The Selectmen award the bid that is in the best interest of the Town. Sally Hyland suggested VJ contact other towns that use a split body truck and get a copy of their most recent specs. VJ explained they are in the process of putting together the specs now. They have the specs from the last truck they purchased to work with and they will contact other communities as well. Bob Fanny shared they have found only one company is doing the split body part of the truck but the chassis has multiple vendors. Life expectancy for the bigger truck versus a smaller truck and warranty are also being taken into consideration.

Wendy Weisiger asked if they are retaining the old truck or planning to sell it. Bob Fanny answered the plan is to get rid of the oldest of the two. Whether or not a company will take it for trade in will depend on the company and the type of truck they trade it in for. Putting it up for sale themselves has its own set of difficulties. Bob explained if the Committee and Town end up deciding to sub-contract out the routes, the companies all use the same truck and it would cost the town about \$6-7,000 more. They are more likely buy something they already use. Sally Hyland stated they could make it a condition of the contract for them to take the truck regardless of the type of truck. Gerry Fleury explained it would worth looking into why these companies may select one model over the other.

The next meeting will be held on February 16, 2021 at 6:30pm. The meeting will be remote.

**I. Other Business:**

None

**II. Adjourn:**

Gerry Fleury made a motion to adjourn at 6:31 PM. Sally Hyland seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

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Wendy Weisiger, Chairman

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