

## **OHSTT SOLID WASTE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Date: February 4,2016 ...Time: 7. PM...Place: Owls Head Town Office

1. **Call To Order:** 7:00 pm....present: Ron Porter(T). Skip Connell (ST) and Dave Matthews (OH), Bruce Colson (OH), Paul Gibbons.

2. **Recognize Guests:** Beverly St. Clair, Scott Johnson and Judson Dodge

3. **Public Comments, for items not on the agenda:** See #5

### **OLD Business**

4. **Vote on last month's minutes:** Approved. Motion by Dave 1<sup>st</sup>, Skip 2<sup>nd</sup> all approved.

### **5. Discussion on Fiberight vs. PERC**

Paul feels it is a risk with either choice. He would like to have an engineer look over the equipment at PERC to see if what PERC says they can do is possible.

Dave questioned Paul's reading on PERC and thinks that they offered a plan that would come into play in 2 years was responsible and also giving us a reasonable amount of time. Paul disagreed and thinks PERC has been irresponsible by not coming forward before this with a plan.

Scott suggested that there are agreements being made that we don't even know about and never will perhaps between Casella and the state.

An extended discussion ensued about the arrangements being made and questions the idea that two large companies are both vying for a smallish piece of the pie.

Paul added that he feels that if communities stick together they would have more power with the state government than if communities split up.

Skip asked if it is the Board's responsibility to suggest who should be choosing PERC or Fiberight. The Board agreed that it was their responsibility. Towns have to agree on one or the other.

Paul asked for a motion to have an independent engineer evaluate PERC. Dave 1<sup>st</sup>, Bruce 2<sup>nd</sup>. Paul will write a letter at no charge and agreed he would support PERC if the engineer says they are capable of fulfilling a contract. All present on the Board approved the motion.

### **6. Goals:**

Dave's list:

- Complete budget by mid December
- Review and update personnel policies
- Review and update operations manual
- Perform staff evaluations
- Look into the viability of relocating
- Complete upgrade
- Continue independent audits
- Monitor scale tickets....develop excel spreadsheet
- Recommend either PERC or Fiberight to towns

- Continue with quorum attendance.  
Peter's list:
- Deal with facility issues
- Deal with personnel issues
- Calculate the cost of what is being disposed of and how it is being charged to haulers.  
Bruce's list
- Stay on track at meetings

Hauling Agreement was circulated and will be brought up at another meeting.

It was mentioned that Valley wants to bid on any work needed to repair upper area...and any machinery needs.

Short conversation about clothing reimbursement...not allowance. Safety apparel and boots are covered.

"Juddy" Dodge spoke and said he was worried about the changes being planned for the transfer station and that they would hurt his small business. He said he was a small independent outfit and that his schedule would not necessarily jibe with the weighing and transfer station if he cannot get his needed access of the transfer station.

Motion to approve warrants which had been circulated: Dave 1<sup>st</sup>, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>. And they were signed.

Motion for the meeting to be adjourned at 9:00 Skip 1<sup>st</sup>, Dave 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved.

Next meeting scheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>pm</sup> at the Owls Head Town Hall.