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## **Transfer Station Committee minutes**

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

## Town Hall

Present: Tom Philippou, chair, Irene Congdon, Tessa David, Tim Kilhart, Libby Levison, Ken Swanton,

Meeting called to Order at 1:00 Pm

Public comment- None

Discussion: Response to new questions and publicizing key information- Tabled

Discussion: Updates from MassToss and MassDEP- Tim K reported that Strategic Materials had closed unexpectedly and that there was a new contract in place through March of 2019 with Northeast Resource Recycling Association (NRRA). Tessa D. explained that the town of Groton has been looking at used equipment for the glass crusher.

Discussion: Punch cards- Libby L. reported that there was a general consensus in town that having the cards expire was not desirable and that there had been resistance to removing this feature from the cards. There had also been resistance to offering refunds for the unused balance but after a brief discussion with the town's finance director, Libby L. related that it could be possible to both eliminate expiration and offer refunds. Tim K. agreed that the expiration presented his staff with extra work and that it would be preferred to switch to eliminating cards altogether and using a credit card based process at the time of disposal. He further stated that the impediment to doing this was unavailability of Wi-Fi services at the transfer station. It was agreed that this should be included as a recommendation to the select board.

Approve minutes- Meeting minutes from 4/24/18 and 5/8/18 were unanimously approved. Both motions were made by Ken S. and seconded by Libby L.

Proposed agenda items for next meeting- Other towns transfer station operations.

Discussion: Select board presentation- Ken S. prepared an excellent draft for the upcoming presentation to the Select board. This was discussed at length and modified slightly. It was agreed that Irene C.'s timetable and the selected pricing structure be included, as well as a

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listing of bag vending location suggestions. A motion to adopt this preliminary plan was made by Ken S. and seconded by Libby L.. It was unanimously approved.

There were no other discussions because the meeting time had been exhausted. The motion to adjourn was made by Tim K. and seconded by Libby L. at 2:06 Pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Philippou