Solid Waste Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

January 25th 2019

Board members present: Charlotte Hebert, Phil Griffin, Kim Drake, Adam VonDette, and Audrey Bethel Also present: Jon Daley, Luke Levesque, Laura Buono

Meeting begins with Luke passing out the tonnage report for various materials in 2018 and the SWAB discussing what stands out. Phil asks about discarded electronics. Luke explains how they are responsibly disposed of and that is why they are separated. Audrey asks about batteries. Luke says for the first time this year they got 2 whole palates of car and lead acid batteries 2 layers deep and were able to sell those off for approx \$800.

Audrey and Luke present to the group the news that Marc Morgan from Lebanon Landfill and Recycling is willing to come down to Hillsboro to meet and discuss how they could partner with us to take our town's plastics.

Jon & Audrey report out on the documentary and panel discussion they went to Concord to see (the movie is called *Bag it* about plastic waste and the environmental impacts since the proliferation of single-use plastics).

The SWAB takes ideas from the movie and starts brainstorming various campaign ideas to help raise consumer awareness around Hillsboro. We discuss the idea of giving out reusable bags — at the transfer station or setting up a table in front of Shaw's? We also discuss creating a brochure or a handout of some sort and setting up a table at all 3 town meetings in March (Deering, Windsor and Hillsboro) to give people visual ways help folks think about their various plastics usage and alternatives, i.e. reusable water bottles, coffee cups, shopping bags, and produce bags, etc.

* House Bill 102 which would allow NH towns to adopt their own bylaws to decide about single use plastics.... Is discussed, and we talk about SWAB members contacting state reps to let them know we support this & spread the word!

We will try to come to the next meeting with things we would like to put together for the town meetings at our next meeting: **Thursday February 21st, 7:30 am**