

TOWN OF MANSFIELD
Solid Waste Advisory Committee
Minutes of the Meeting
September 13, 2012

Present: Knox (chair), Ames, Roberts, Coughlin, Milius, Walton (staff)

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

The minutes of the May 10, 2012 meeting were accepted on a motion by Roberts/Ames.

Walton researched most of the concerns about automated service that were raised at the last meeting. Issues included handling extra trash, continuing to provide mini-mini service and in-yard service, dealing with the small trash storage areas at Wrights Village and Glenridge, and continuing recycling enforcement. The committee recommended phasing in automated service by providing 64 gallon recycling containers with collection service and leaving the trash collection unchanged for now. Walton reported that Floyd Mayo was meeting with her and Hultgren on September 17, 2012 to discuss the single family trash contract.

Walton reported that the Eastern Highland Health District reviewed the draft pooper scooper ordinance. The Director questioned who would be responsible for enforcing the ordinance and suggested that it may be difficult to enforce. The committee decided that the best approach for the Storrs Center area is to provide bags and disposal receptacles, similar to the Lebanon Green, for the Storrs Center green areas.

Ames reported that there are about eight popular fishing holes in Mansfield – Eagleville Dam, the Willimantic River by Plains Road and Merrow Meadow, Mansfield Hollow Dam, the Mount Hope River in Atwoodville, the Fenton River by Gurleyville Road and the Nipmuck Trail footbridges near the transfer station. Ames will get the materials to build the collection containers and Walton will assist her in assembling them.

Walton gave an update on the multi-family recycling dumpster pilot. The new owners of Carriage House Apartments have expressed interest in participating; the other multi-family complexes that Walton approached showed no interest in participation. As soon as the dumpster is painted, the pilot will begin at Carriage House.

Walton asked for volunteers to help with the Festival on the Green, September 23, 2012.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 8, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia Walton
Recycling/Refuse Coordinator