

UNITY AREA REGIONAL RECYCLING CENTER

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Attendance: Michael Berry (Thorndike), Greg Falzetta (Thorndike)(ALT), Paige Zeigler (Montville), Beth Soucie (Unity), Phil Bloomstein (Freedom), Meredith Coffin (Freedom)(ALT), Dave McDaniel (Jackson), Ross Nason (Dixmont), Elaine Higgins (Freedom)(Selectperson)

May 21, 2020

1. Bring Meeting to Order: Meeting brought to order at 1907.

2. Agenda Adjustments: None.

3. Approve January Meeting Minutes:

- February 2020 minutes submitted.
- Moved for approval.
- Motion seconded.
- Vote all in favor.

4. Manager's Report:

Given by Mike as Jeff not present for meeting.

- The pad for the trailers for expanded storage has been installed.
- The recycle facility is back open for business. Since opening the facility has had 102 customers.
- A new TAMRA price sheet has been promulgated. Prices for recycled commodities have both increased and decreased.
- A discussion ensued on the issues of accepting scrap metal and the concrete retaining wall for the scrap metal container.
 - UARRC has not purchased a container for the expanded storage project yet because there are some towns that have not paid their 2020 dues, likely due to reduced revenues due to the COVID-19 shutdown.
 - Expenditures to date on the storage project are ~\$7,300.
 - Expected expenditures are ~\$3,200 for the concrete retaining wall and ~\$1,700 for the trailer.
 - The Board (BOD) decided after discussion that since the project had already been delegated to the UARRC Facility Manager and the UARRC BOD Chairman, they had previously been delegated to execute the project and were in the best position to decide when tasks within the scope of the project should be executed, as long as the project remained under budget. The BOD decided that no further action should be taken at this time.

5. Chair's Report:

- Budget Report
 - Some towns have not paid their 2020 dues, likely due to reduced revenues due to the COVID-19 shutdown..

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- The budget at this point in the fiscal year is under committed, which is good news given the uncertain payments of the outstanding towns.
- The BOD expressed an interest in seeing a financial report at the next meeting.
- After some discussion it was decided that the UARRC would keep its Capital Improvement Fund in cash rather than in a Certificate of Deposit.
- Montville has submitted through its local representative on the BOD a request for extension in its notification of the BOD regarding a decision to exit the UARRC.
 - There was much discussion by the BOD with most if not all representatives expressing a desire to grant Montville's request.
 - The BOD decided to grant Montville's request for the extension and directed the Secretary of the BOD to draft and send it to Montville's Selectmen approving their request couched in the following language:
 - The BOD wants to work with Montville in coming to this decision.
 - The extension is approved.
 - The extension is event based.
 - The BOD expresses a desire that Montville can hold their town meeting NLT October 31, 2020.
 - The extension is granted for six (6) months or March 31st whichever occurs first.
 - No BOD attorney review was required.
- Motion to approve the chair's report.
- Motion seconded.
- Vote all in favor.

6. Old Business:

- Strategic Plan: Discussion of accepting Executive Summary as written and adding it to the Plan and that a public version be generated that is tightly focused on what UARRC is doing and is planning.
- The BOD directed the Chairman of the Planning Committee to generate a draft public version of the Executive Summary.
 - Postcard length.
 - Delete all background information.
 - Deliver a draft to the BOD by the next board meeting.

7. New Business: Election for BOD positions. A discussion was held on voting for next year's BOD leadership positions.

- Since all officers of the BOD, except for the Treasurer were present for the meeting and all but the Treasurer expressed a desire to continue to serve in their elected positions, a motion was made to accept the current leadership for the coming year.

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- An amendment to the motion was made to table the election of the Treasurer since he was absent, and to accept the current leadership for Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary
- Motion voted on and passed.

8. Committee Reports:

- Strategic Plan - refer to above discussion.
- Facility expansion – refer to above discussion.

9. Wrap-Up & Assignments:

- Drafting and sending of letter to Montville.

10. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 2045.