

Truro Board of Health Minutes
Discuss Save Money And Reduce Trash/Pay As You Throw (SMART/PAYT) Program
WORKSESSION
April 19, 2016
4:30 PM-Truro Town Hall

Members Present: Chair Tracey Rose, Vice Chair Jason Silva, Clerk Mark Peters, Timmy Rose, Ansel Chaplin

Others: Jason Norton, DPW Director, John Lipman, Waste Zero consultant, Rae Ann Palmer, Town Administrator (for a portion of the meeting).

Absent: Health Agent Patricia Pajaron, Charles Sumner, retired Brewster Town Administrator

Chair Tracey Rose opened the meeting @ 4:30 pm and welcomed everyone.

Chair Rose informed the board members that Mr. Sumner had a conflict in his schedule and could not make the meeting. She is hoping to get a brief statement from him regarding the Town of Brewster and the implementation of their PAYT program, October of 2013.

Mark Peters began the discussion with comments and questions to the DPW Director relating to the Transfer Station and the lack of oversight from the employees at the Hopper and for sticker reinforcement. This is a huge concern for the Board of Health especially if we are trying to reduce our Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) tonnage.

DPW Director stated again that he and the Administration have addressed the complaints with the employees.

DPW Director updated the board on the reconfiguring of the recycling area which will be more adequate and allow better monitoring of the trailer since employees will be in the same area (once the project is completed). Currently, the Building Maintenance department is designing a small modification for the Transfer Station office building to make the building more efficient and enable employees to see the incoming vehicles into the Transfer Station. This hopefully will empower the employees to do a better job at performing their job responsibilities at the Transfer Station, enforcing Truro's policies and procedures.

Another upcoming change for the Town is that beaches will have new trash buckets for trash and for recycling this summer. The buckets are designed with a purpose. Tim Rose inquired about the pricing of these new trash buckets. DPW Director stated \$250.00. The DPW budget is absorbing this expense not the Transfer Station. This will not be an annual expense to DPW budget.

Jason Silva asked Jay Norton questions on staffing at the Transfer Station should a SMART program ultimately be implemented. DPW Director doesn't foresee a problem with current staff. The Senior Tax Program allows for additional workers in season and that would be helpful as well.

Proposed fee increases for Transfer Station will eliminate the \$ 2.00 bag fee to prevent non-resident people from freely using the Transfer Station for dumping non-Truro generated trash.

Waste Zero Consultant John Lipman contributed fast facts on the success of SMART Programs; the implementation phase and miscellaneous questions and answers. Waste Zero has hundreds of municipal accounts within the commonwealth and nationwide.

Board members then discussed the need of another work session. With the summer season rapidly approaching, the ongoing changes at the Transfer Station, it was decided that in October 2016 the Board would revisit the subject. The matter will be added to the regularly scheduled BOH meeting for May 3, 2016 for official comment at this time, to then be forwarded to the Board of Selectman.

Chair Tracey Rose thanked everyone for attending.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tracey Rose', written in a cursive style.

Tracey Rose, Chair of the Truro Board of Health