

TOWN OF BELGRADE
TRANSFER STATION & RECYCLING COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
November 20, 2019

❖ Attendees/Distribution List:

NAME	EMAIL
Bruce Galouch (BG) – Committee Chair	bobtheplumberme@gmail.com
Tom Daniels (TD) - Secretary	tdanielsjr@gmail.com
Ken Scheno (KS) – Transfer Station Manager	kscheno@townofbelgrade.com
Ernie Merckens (EM) – Committee Member	emerckens@roadrunner.com
Absent	
Rhaeto Pfister (RP) – Vice Chair	Bigrat63@gmail.com

- ❖ Call meeting to order @18:39
- ❖ Review and accept minutes for October 2019. EM moved to accept minutes as written. BG Second. Vote: 3 In Favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent.
- ❖ Bathroom Heater: The gas wall heater in the TSRC bathroom needs to be repaired or replaced. Parts to repair and service the existing unit are no longer available. Manufacturer is no longer in business and research and internet searches could not identify replacement parts. KS received a Quote from Bob the Plumber, Inc. to replace the wall heater with a new Empire LP gas heating unit that is equipped with a thermostat. Quote provided is for \$1,028.00. This new unit would be more efficient than the existing one and would have a thermostat to help with temperature control and overall efficiency (existing unit does not have a thermostat). A second quote from Generators of Maine for an electric heating unit with a similar rating was listed at \$1,200. Committee discusses the perceived pros and cons of each unit. EM made a motion to recommend the Empire LP unit to the Select Board. TD Seconds. Vote of 2 for, 0 against, 1 absent, 1 abstain.
- ❖ Budget Hearing: An update of the FY20 proposed TSRC budget was provided by KS and reviewed by the Committee. Format and line items were changed slightly. This format will allow monies to move between line items more easily and help keep the bottom line the same. Next Budget Committee meeting will be December 8th. KS to attend. BG will likely attend on behalf of the Committee.
- ❖ Office Building Purchase: KS received several quotes for potential new office building as summarized below:
 - Hammond Lumber – Supplies to Build 12'x12' ~ \$6,000 + Town Labor to Construct
 - Town Maintenance Dept – 12'x20' Building Kit ~\$5,000 + Town Labor to Construct
 - Estimate for Fully Built on Pad ~ \$12,000
 - Rent to Own option of pre-fab kit would be more expensive than other options. Smaller sheds excluded due to OSHA minimum ceiling height requirements.

Discussion was tabled until next meeting when more information is available and after the budget hearing.

- ❖ Other Discussion:
 - Demo Wood and Brush needs to be ground, disposed of, and billed by the end of the calendar year. KS to push contractor on schedule and responsiveness. EM recommends that we consider searching for other contractors to do this work if we aren't getting what we need.
 - TD noted he will be unavailable for the December 9th meeting and requested the meeting be rescheduled. Item will be followed up via email.
- ❖ – Call Meeting to Close. BG motion, TD Seconds. 3 for 0 against, 1 absent. Adjourn @ 19:50