

**TOWN OF BELGRADE**  
**TRANSFER STATION & RECYCLING COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**  
**April 12, 2021**

❖ Attendees/Distribution List:

| NAME  | EMAIL  |
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| Bruce Galouch (BG) – Committee Chair              | <a href="mailto:bobtheplumberme@gmail.com">bobtheplumberme@gmail.com</a>         |
| Tom Daniels (TD) - Secretary                      | <a href="mailto:tdanielsjr@gmail.com">tdanielsjr@gmail.com</a>                   |
| Ken Scheno (KS) – Transfer Station Manager        | <a href="mailto:kscheno@townofbelgrade.com">kscheno@townofbelgrade.com</a>       |
| Rhaeto Pfister (RP) – Vice Chair                  | <a href="mailto:Bigrat63@gmail.com">Bigrat63@gmail.com</a>                       |
| Christina Wilson (CW) – Committee Member          | <a href="mailto:christinawilson10@hotmail.com">christinawilson10@hotmail.com</a> |
| Katherine Couture (KC) – Committee Member         | <a href="mailto:couture.katherine@yahoo.com">couture.katherine@yahoo.com</a>     |
| Ernie Merckens (EM) – Select Board Representative | <a href="mailto:emerckens@roadrunner.com">emerckens@roadrunner.com</a>           |
| Absent  |  |
| Michael Barrett (MB) – Committee Member           | <a href="mailto:mebarrett2017@twc.com">mebarrett2017@twc.com</a>                 |

\* Transfer Station & Recycling Committee - TSRC

- ❖ Meeting held virtually via Zoom. Call meeting to order @19:00
- ❖ Appointment of Committee Officers:
  - Chair: TD Nominates Bruce Galouch. RP Seconds. Vote: 4 for, 1 abstain, 1 absent
  - Vice Chair: BG Nominates Rhaeto Pfister. TD Seconds. Vote 4 for, 1 abstain, 1 absent
  - Secretary: BH Nominates Tom Daniels. CW Seconds. Vote 4 for, 1 abstain, 1 absent
- ❖ Review and approve minutes from March 8, 2021 meeting: KC Moves to accept as written. CW Seconded motion, Vote: 5 for, 0 against, 1 absent

**New Business**

- ❖ Warrant Article June 8, 2021: Discussed warrant article to spend \$25,000 from the Town's undesignated fund for construction of the concrete pad as well as allocate additional funds from the Town's undesignated fund to the Transfer Station capital reserve account to bring the balance to \$50,000. Article will be subject to Town Vote.
- ❖ Distribution and Sale of Tote Bags: Committee discussed sale of education/outreach embroidered reusable bags. Bags will be sold at Hello Good Pie, Town Library, Town Office, Public Events, and at Transfer Station on a scheduled Saturday. Intent of bag sales will be to promote recycling and educate residents on recyclables accepted at the Transfer Station. Tote bag sales to be advertised in Town newsletter.
- ❖ Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off: Augusta's event was cancelled. KS worked with Town of Readfield to have Belgrade residents invited to their scheduled event. Event will be advertised and is scheduled for July 11, 2021 at the Readfield Transfer Station.
- ❖ Drug Take back: Event scheduled for April 24, 2021. Committee discussed advertising at the Town office as well as being posted at the Transfer Station and Recycling Center.

**Open Discussion**

- ❖ Brush grinding scheduled to be completed by the end of the week. BG noted that if grinding is not completed soon that a minimum 10ft wide fire break would need to be excavated (down to mineral) to meet forest ranger/fire safety requirements.
- ❖ MDEP Monitoring Well Sampling – MDEP allowed reduced sampling last year as closed landfill is approaching 30-years post-closure. Town and consultant intend to review latest data to determine if results support further reduction in sampling frequency or parameters analyzed.

❖ 19:28 – Call Meeting to Close. TD moves, BG Seconds. 5 for, 0 against, 0 absent.