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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

Hybrid Meeting

Physical Location: Ascutney Professional Building

Ascutney, Vermont

Thursday, December 7, 2023

4:30 PM

Board members present: Steve Willbanks (Strafford), Neil Fulton (Norwich), Bob Stacey (Hartland), Vern Clifford (Pomfret), Eric Duffy (Woodstock), Lynne Bertram (Bridgewater)

Staff present: Tom Kennedy, Ham Gillett

Guest: Alan Liptak, LE Environmental LLC

1. Changes to the Agenda

Tom K. requested that Alan Liptak be allowed to present his report at the beginning of the meeting. Neil F. requested discussions of the GUV audit, the FY 2025 Budget Public Hearing, and Mary Gavin's replacement under New Business. Board members voiced no objections.

4. Discussion of Development Soils Facility Report (Enclosure)

Alan Liptak presented an in-depth review of his report, including the perceived statewide need for such a facility and a detailed list of the requirements. Neil F. asked board member for questions, which included: timeline; ongoing availability of soil material; ability of existing limited GUV staff; competition from existing facilities; the alternative potential to clean the soil instead of burying it; liability in the case of contaminated soil; testing of incoming material; responses from potential business partners; and funding options.

Tom K. stated that the first step should be posting an RFP for an engineering company.

Neil F. stated that more research is needed regarding liability and other issues. He suggested adding further discussion to the agenda for the January 3, 2024 meeting.

2. Approval of September 27 Minutes (Enclosure) –Tom K. asked for one change. Steve W. moved to accept. Vern C. seconded. Tom K. took roll. Motion not accepted due to lack of quorum. Two members had not reviewed the minutes.

3. Receive October 2023 Financials (Enclosure)

Tom K. reviewed the financials. Neil F. asked for a motion to receive. Steve W. moved. Bob S. seconded. Tom K. took roll. Motion accepted.

5. Discussion of Proposed FY2025 Budget (Enclosure)

The budget was not discussed or approved due to lack of a quorum.

6. Recycling Coordinator's Report (enclosure)

Ham G. delivered the report.

7. New Business

Neil F. inquired about the Audit Report. Tom K. stated that GUV is using a new company, that they got started late, and that several mistakes had been made that required correction.

Neil F. stated his concern for the continued rise in cost for the HHW collection events and asked Tom K. about alternatives. Tom K. will pursue the idea of creating a seasonal HHW depot on the North Hartland site, similar to the SWWCSWMD facility in Springfield.

8. Old Business - None

Meeting adjourned at 6:06 PM.

The next meeting date is scheduled for January 3, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. It will be a budget meeting and will be hybrid for those who wish to attend in person.

Respectfully submitted,

Ham Gillett and Tom Kennedy