

June 6, 2015

Lamprey Regional Cooperative
Board of Directors
Waste Management Contract Renewal

Present: Dennis Koch, Town of Epping; Karen Anderson, Town of Greenland, Roger Rice, Town of Lee; Joseph Moriarty, Town of Madbury, Clay Mitchell, Town of Newfields, Rick Stern, Town of Newington, Jodi Lavoie-Carnes, Town of Rollinsford; Dennis Messier, City of Somersworth; Paul Deschaine, Town of Stratham.

Mr. Deschaine opened the meeting and asked the members present if they wished to go into non-public to discuss the revised contract terms with Waste Management due to the confidentiality clause. Mr. Deschaine further recognized that a vote on the contract could not be taken in closed session, and asked if anyone had items in the contract that wished to discuss in a closed session. Mr. Rice made a motion to go into a non-public session, seconded by Mr. Stern.

Once out of non-public session, Mr. Deschaine re-opened the public meeting and began a discussion of the revised term sheet from Waste Management dated May 22, 2015, and asked for a motion to act upon the terms offered. Mr. Rice made a motion to accept the terms and move on to the contract stage, seconded by Rick Stern. Mr. Deschaine asked if there was any discussion on the motion, hearing none, a vote was called, with 8 votes in the affirmative and 1 abstention from the Town of Lee. Mr. Deschaine went on to poll the members regarding the extension of the current contract. Ms. Anderson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the extension to Lamprey's Waste Management contract, extending the term to 2026, contingent on a careful review of the amendment of contract terms; the motion was seconded by Mr. Rice. Mr. Deschaine called for a vote and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Stern asked for a discussion on the incentive being offered by Waste Management and the plans for its distribution. After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Moriarty to distribute any surplus money obtained in the current fiscal year as a rate subsidy of the tipping fee; seconded by Ms. Lavoie-Carnes. Mr. Deschaine called for a vote which was unanimous.

The Selectman from the Town of Lee (Lee's alternate member to the Board) asked for the balances of the reserves in the two CD's held by the Cooperative. Lamprey's treasurer, Ms. Kemp, stated that the balance in the Operating CD is \$96,564; and the Closure CD balance is \$223,623. The outstanding truck loan when paid back fully will bring the balance of the Closure CD to \$344,681. Ms. Kemp also distributed all past audits for the Cooperative from 2008 to 2013. The 2014 audit has not been completed.

Mr. Messier commended the committee members for doing a great job on the negotiations. Mr. Deschaine stated that it is a point to remember that for the number of years that the member towns have been part of a cooperative, there have been discussions

by various parties considering individual negotiations. Mr. Deschaine stated that his feeling was that Lamprey has always had a good working relationship with Waste Management, and that if the Cooperative stays as a group, they are a stronger voice than if it was to disband. His experience has been that individually any town may get a good deal for one or two years, but in the years since 1978 the Cooperative has always come out ahead on average. The Cooperative has much more bargaining power collectively than individually.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Kemp
Treasurer