

TCSWMO MEETING MINUTES
Liberty Town Office
February 2, 2023

The following directors were present: Thomas Pitzi, Elaine Porter, Henry Hall, Dana Philippi, Scott Esancy, Peter Beckett, Alexandra Crocco, Lee Shane, Sarah Bullard, and Norman Casas. Also present were David Stanley, Facility Manager, and Gail Philippi, Administrative Assistant.

Tom Pitzi called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: A motion was made by Peter Beckett and seconded by Ali Crocco, to accept the minutes of the October 27, 2022, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Norman Casas and seconded by Lee Shane to accept the minutes of the January 12, 2023. Motion to accept minutes Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The checking account balance as of today is \$160,111.27 the Reserve Account balance is \$ 116,667.47 for a total of \$276,778.74. Norman Casas made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Elaine Porter seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Lee went on a tour of the Station with David and understands more now.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Facility Report:

Not much has happened since the last meeting.

David had the second trailer inspection done at Stone's.

David is in the process of writing his annual Town Report letter and will send out the recycling report. (EPR bill). We are unable to tell from the report how much each town brought in.

David says that Station volume is as mercurial as the weather and dogs are more predictable.

Chris Armstrong is doing a good job plowing.

Copies of the proposed **Final 2023 Budget** were handed out and discussed. Population DHHS numbers were pulled off the internet.

If **tipping costs on demo** goes up, we'd have to increase the cost to customers. A suggestion made to budget \$95 a ton if it does.

Health Insurance went up 4.5% not an anticipated 7% so we lowered the budget amount by \$2,000 to \$16,000.

Heat: The amount to be raised was reduced by \$400 to \$2100.

Website: Ali would like to stop performing this task and Sarah said she would do it. We raised the amount budgeted by \$600 to \$920. Lee pointed out that to redesign the website we'd have to hire someone. We will remove the Zoom option from the website. Sarah has someone she will ask if they are interested in doing a new website.

Lee made a motion to accept the 2023 budget for \$198,620 to be raised by Town Appropriations seconded by Ali. Motion passed unanimously.

Lee made a motion to take \$22,000 from the checking account, put it into the Reserve Account as

\$3,000 for the Infrastructure Fund and \$19,000 for the Heavy Equipment Fund. Henry seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Peter Beckett is leaving the Board before the next meeting in April so we will need to elect a Treasurer.
Norman nominated Henry Hall as Treasurer and Ali seconded. Motion passed; Henry was elected.

Peter noted that the State is coming out with a grant program for transfer stations to use the money to dispose of mattresses. Massachusetts has voted to keep mattresses out of landfills.

OTHER:

The next meeting will be on 4/27/2023 in Somerville.
Norman made a motion and Elaine seconded that we adjourn at 8:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gail Philippi, Administrative Assistant