



Thornton Transfer Station Advisory Committee (TSAC) – Policies & Logistics Subcommittee January 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes

- The meeting was conducted via Zoom on January 12, 2021 from 9:30 AM until 11:20 AM.
- Present in the meeting were: Myrtle Lewis, Bill DeLeo, Steve Chiocca, Peter Laufenberg and visitor Corey Smith (from Waterville Estates).
- The following was discussed at the meeting:
 - We don't have to have all the details worked out for the draft T.S. Ordinance, presented to the Thornton BOS (some things the BOS will decide upon and other details can be worked out later). It is within the BOS' authority to decide on the fees for rental properties, disposal fees, contractor temporary disposal permit fees, etc.
 - We expect a few months of back and forth with the BOS to work out the details of the Ordinance (the TSAC Chair, Peter Laufenberg will represent the TSAC in these discussions).
 - Peter is drafting the main talking points and recommendations for his presentation with the BOS. He will make sure the BOS has options to choose from.
 - Commercial trash haulers will be required to send a quarterly list of their customers (names, addresses) to the Transfer Station.
 - We need to budget (through the CIP Town(s) Process) a scale to be installed at the Transfer Station, within the next five years. The cost is estimated at \$60 - \$80K.
 - Pike Industries shut down their operations in Campton recently and they may have a used scale for sale (Corey will check).
 - Anyone who brings trash (they didn't generate), should pay a fee to do so (trash haulers & Short-Term Rental (STR) cleaners).
 - We need to tackle the issue of the STR house cleaners, who largely are not recycling.
 - We need two levels of enforcement for trash haulers, to make sure they are not bringing in trash from other towns (other than T/C/E) and to make sure they are recycling.
 - Some discussed annual fees were: \$1,000 for trash haulers, \$100 for STR and the BOS will ultimately decide.
 - The STR properties will be required to register annually for \$25 (this also helps the Fire Department planning for emergencies).
 - Steve will work on the Unacceptable Materials List for the Ordinance.
 - Remove the mention of the Thornton Mall in the Ordinance.
 - There are fees that airbnb and VRBO renters pay to the State and then the Towns. Renters pay a 9% fee which leads to \$130K for Thornton and \$180K for Campton, revenue annually (approximately).
 - We are all in agreement about the clear trash bag roll-out for January 2022.
- The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.
- Future subcommittee meetings will be discontinued and we will meet with the full TSAC committee, going forward.