

DURHAM MIDDLEFIELD INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ADVISORY BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES REVISED  
Thursday, April 28, 2016

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:11 PM by Chairman Dom DelVecchio at the Middlefield Community Center.

**Roll call:** Members present: Ron Capozzi, Bob Czarnecki, Dom DelVecchio, Chris Flanagan, Jim Gibbons, Frank Petrella, and Charles Zieminski. Members Absent: Howard Weissberg. Staff Present: Site Manager Bob Matuskiewicz and Recording Secretary Heather Castiglia.

**Approval of Agenda:** *A motion was made by Chris Flanagan and seconded by Charles Zieminski to approve agenda with the addition of a discussion about site compost. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Site Manager Report:**

- Both towns are almost done with brush pick up
- Loader--in for repairs pilot controller needed replacement, but the new part was faulty, repaired the old pilot controller and installed it in the loader and loader has been working.
- 2010 Kenworth rolloff truck in for **major** repairs **to** the engine. It could cost \$30,000 to be repaired. Chairman Delvecchio is working with Kenworth through the extended warranty and it is expected to adjust the cost of repairs.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**2016 Budget**

Chairman Delvecchio stated to the Board that the towns' Boards of finance met together to discuss DMIAAB budget.

Some changes were made to the budget:

- Cuts to the budget equaled \$ **21,000**.
- One new container will be purchased instead of two.

Compensation from the Town of Durham is **an** additional \$20,000 and compensation from the town of Middlefield is an **additional** \$12,000 **over last years budget** to cover the loss in revenue due to **the poor** recycling **market**.

The budget's fund balance is down to \$33,000. Chairman Delvecchio stated that he would like to see the fund balance at 5% of the budget—closer to \$45,000.

Chairman Delvecchio stated that it was a legitimate, fair budget and that it must be approved at the town meetings.

*A motion was made by Chris Flanagan and seconded by Ron Capozzi to approve the budget for 2016-17 as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Re-Elections**

Mr. Capozzi and Chairman Delvecchio are up for re-election in Durham. Middlefield board members should check who is up for re-election this year.

**RiverCOG**

The Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments (RiverCOG) will be arranging an engineering study on the transfer stations of Durham/Middlefield, Old Saybrook and Haddam.

**Grinder**

Bob Matuskiewicz edited the email for grinder capabilities and rental and will work with Howard Weissberg to finalize it **before the email is sent to neighboring towns.**

### **Hauler Regulations Discussion**

Both First Selectmen agreed to the current scheduled hours for commercial haulers and have proposed that DMIAAB **adopt a regulation that would designate that all private haulers as of July 1<sup>st</sup> deliver all MSW waste directly to MIRA in Hartford. The transfer station will no longer allow private haulers to use the transfer station for MSW or recyclables**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Capozzi spoke of the compost pile at the site being usable as a resource for planting soil. The board agreed the soil would have to be tested to see if it was safe to use in planting. This could be another value added resource that DMIAAB could offer to town residents. Mr. Capozzi asked if he could take less than a yard of the compost to test at his home. The board agreed.

Mr. Capozzi also gave a short explanation on Bio-Char, to be revisited after more research has been done.

*A motion was made by Chris Flanagan and seconded by Ron Capozzi to approve the 2-25-16 minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously. Today's minutes to be approved at the next meeting.*

*A motion was made by Chris Flanagan and seconded by Ron Capozzi to approve the 3-24-16 minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, Chairman DelVecchio adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Heather Castiglia

Cc: Durham Town Clerk, Middlefield Town Clerk, Board Members