

Norwich Solid Waste Committee

Purpose: The purpose of the Committee is to assist with the implementation and maintenance of a solid waste disposal plan in conjunction with the Town Manager (TM), Director of Public Works (DPW), and Selectboard (SB) that will:

- Reduce the volume of solid waste.
- Reduce the consumption of non-recyclables and hazardous materials.
- Reuse packaging materials and household goods.
- Recycle to save natural resources and reduce the volume of waste sent to landfills.
- Compost organic materials.
- Research new markets and/or methods to increase recycling.
- Remove household hazardous wastes to reduce contamination of the environment.
- Dispose of residuals in an environmentally sound, socially acceptable and economically prudent manner.
- Track volume, costs, revenue associated with existing waste streams.

Composition: The Committee will be composed of five residents each appointed by the SB to serve a one, two or three year term. One SB member may be appointed to the Committee by vote of the SB. At the organizational meeting, the Committee will elect a Chairperson from its members to serve one year, determine the frequency of meetings, set meeting dates and times, review Open Meeting Law requirements and Town of Norwich Reports from Committees to the SB.

Responsibilities: The Committee will investigate current practices as the Transfer Station with an emphasis on reducing the volume of material sent to the landfill and research alternatives to current practices. In addition, the Committee will review the current fee schedule and make recommendations for changes to that fee schedule.

Approved by Selectboard Feb 12, 2020.