

Norwich Solid Waste Committee DRAFT MINUTES Dec 8 2022

The committee met at its monthly meeting on Zoom. Present: Jack Cushman, Andy Scherer, Linda Cook (by phone), Lily Terry. All discussion was by consensus without any recorded votes.

The committee continued its work on draft printed products to educate the public about best practices at the transfer station. A draft pamphlet received general approval with Scherer planning to suggest some minor changes to Cushman who will incorporate them. Draft signs are basically completed as pdf files.

Cushman has found online printing services which can produce the pamphlet from our pdf at minimal costs, depending on numbers printed, which may be less than \$200 total. For small signs, online printers can produce on PVC boards probably for less than \$40 for smaller signs and less than \$80 for larger signs.

Cushman will present DPW and SB with requests for pamphlets and signs to be paid out of current-year funds.

The committee expects to ask the SB to approve \$1500 for licensing annually the Better Bins smart phone app, as previously discussed, which we believe can save the town money by reducing costs and increasing revenues for recycling; the app is free to users and is in use in Lebanon, and has been tested by Cushman.

Terry agreed to review the existing information on the town Web site for inaccuracies to be corrected. Terry and Cushman will restart the process of designing a prototype Solid Waste Committee web page, at no expense, to be published only when SB and DPW give approval. This page would make use of the graphical and text information from our new pamphlet and signage. A volunteer would help us with any technical issues.

Approval of past draft minutes was deferred and the committee adjourned.