

CHAIR - PETE
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MINUTES

HOUSING TASK FORCE MEETING

JULY 28, 2015

Attendees: Kathy, Marty, Marcy, Skip, Pete, Pam, Mike, and guest - Joe Hickman (Modern Disposal Company)

Unable to attend: Val, David

Pete stated that he received an email from Val, re: non-profit garbage disp.

Kathy reported that she spoke with Harry Donahue of the Brockport DPW, re: the village possibly hauling resident's garbage. He said that it would take 1 million dollars to start such a service up.

The DPW would require 2 more employees, 2 garbage trucks, recycling truck, garbage bins.

The village could charge an overage on a contract service, to put in reserve for future costs of setting up a village garbage pickup.

They are now going with leasing of DPW vehicles; every 5 years they get a new vehicle - this is a better way to go.

They are getting a snow thrower to do some of the work on plowing intersections; still will use the old sidewalk plow for the village sidewalks.

Pam - asked if we can process more issues, at once, in addition to garbage pickup? Such as, driveway expansion.

Joe Hickman said that Modern services all of Orleans County, including Holley. They service as far as Ellicottville. They dump the garbage at Lewiston, Blasdall, and Niagara Falls. Ellicottville is on a 3-year cycle for renewal.

Cost/hour is determined by various factors, i.e. cost to run the trucks, cost for personnel, etc. Some municipal contracts have a fuel estimator, some don't. They (Modern) would not use a competitor's landfill. In Riga, much waste is being hauled in from NYC, etc. Contracts are usually written for 3-years for residential accounts and the village board decides on how and who enforces the contract.

Example: \$150/unit; village assesses \$160-165 and puts the extra in a reserve fund. If residents are frequent offenders of putting out an overage of garbage, the driver would notify the village clerk. Code Enforcement is then notified. People can be fined. There is a ticket system for people who need to legally put out extra bags. They can buy \$10, \$20, whatever - tickets to use per bag or per extra large items. The overall cost is determined by tonnage collected.

Six bags or cans is typical or one 95-gallon cart. 65-gallon carts are also available for those who have less garbage. Mr. Hickman said that, when presenting this plan to residents, it is a good idea to display the different receptacles. Municipalities buy the carts directly from the supplier.

Recycling roll out usually happens first and the 2nd year starts garbage pickup.

For a rental – for example, 4 units – usually would get four 95-gallon carts. This is up to the landlord to decide what size and how many receptacles.
Tonnage = the dumping fee.
The village decides as to the # of bins.
The village sets the ground rules. The contract is fairly well specked out. specifications = contract price.
Question asked – is recycling price based on size of container. Joe answered – no, don't discourage people from recycling.

How many single homes;
How many rentals;
_____ eligible users
Ex: 2500 single, 250 duplexes, 250 quads (heavy users can buy an extra cart)

Really no need for special rates for snowbirds, 10-month only rentals (college rentals); just build these factors into the contract. The foundation of the program – money assessed -> to charge users. Ex.: \$100/unit stays the same; it evens out.
First, look at demographics, come up with a price; divide that price by the amount of households.
Savings would be enough to cover any individual discounts.
Cost to village_____? Homeowner_____?
Now – \$500/year; then ~\$200/year.
First, this would go before the Village Board.

Second, a public hearing?
For grass pickup/yard waste – use the DPW's program.
Say you pay \$140.00/year, the Tag Program would be for anything over your cart amount, or, use a sticker for large items.
Recycling totes – cans, glass, paper – all go together.
Include businesses or not? The Village Board decides this.
Apt. complexes, larger than a 4-plex, use dumpsters and have to use a private collection.
Take a look at this website: www2.erie.gov, for examples of programs in place.
The Village of Brockport would tailor the contract to what the village needs.
Fees are based on what crosses the scales. After a year's worth of service, if tonnage is less than anticipated, you can go back and reduce refuse assessment by X-amount of dollars. You get back \$ on your taxes.
Totes run about \$55.
Probably a 4-day collection – Tuesday – Friday – would be needed, and the village divided into 4 sections.
Solar Farm – electricity to municipal bldgs.
Hazardous waste is taken care of.
Look at Albany DEC website, re: various counties.

Minutes submitted by: Marcy Stickles