



Meeting Notes

TREE Community Advisory Committee

Monday, September 19, 2005

Committee Members Attending:

John Larochelle (Presiding), Rochester ; Allan Davis, Waste Management; Trey Dykstra, NH Department of Environmental Services; Lorie Chase, Cochecho River Watershed Coalition; Representative, Wally Fournier, Barrington Representative.

I. Meeting Notes

The committee accepted "Meeting Notes" of the Community Advisory Committee's previous meeting with the exception noted for item II., namely the sentence "A Waste Management application was recently approved by DES which would permit the use of incinerator ash for this purpose." Trey Dykstra noted the approval was for a 90 day trial period.

II. Review of Odor Complaint Log Data

Committee member Trey Dykstra, of the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES), briefed the committee regarding odor complaints since the last meeting.

It was noted that compared to last year at this time, overall complaints regarding landfill odors had increased. Tray indicated that the cause of the increased odors may be emanating from the working face of the landfill especially in areas which are now reaching higher elevation levels and in some cases, above the tree line.

Al Davis of Waste Management noted that there will be a change in the landfill "fill plan" which would create more of a visual buffer and may potentially be useful in preventing fugitive odors from traveling outside the landfill area.

Davis also noted that one of the facility's turbines and a large flare was inoperable the week of August 11th which he believed was likely the major cause of the odor complaints for the month. Davis emphasized, as he has in previous meetings, that the facility needs back up flare capacity which must be approved by the DES.

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The following represents a review of odor complaints as compiled by the DES:

Month	No. of Complaints (1)	No. of Complainants (2)	Odor Description(3)	
			Garbage(4)	Landfill Gas(5)
Jan-04	12	4	0	8
Feb-04	7	6	2	2
Mar-04	6	6	1	2
Apr-04	24	10	0	9
May-04	24	15	1	5
Jun-04	17	9	0	4
Jul-04	21	9	1	6
Aug-04	39	18	7	20
Sep-04	97	44	13	28
Oct-04	51	21	9	26
Nov-04	20	10	2	11
Dec-04	5	4	0	1
Jan-05	2	1	1	1
Feb-05	17	6	3	10
Mar-05	1	1	1	0
Apr-05	3	3	2	1
May- 05	1	1	1	1
Jun- 05	8	5	7	1
Jul- 05	26	12	17	2
Aug- 05	30	13	20	5
Sept - 05	8	6	6	1
Total:	425		96	147

III. Planning Board & DES

Alan Davis discussed the upcoming Rochester Planning Board meeting that will be held as part of the TREE permit extension process.

IV. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the committee will be held on Monday, October 17, 2005.