

**MINUTES OF THE CHESHIRE TOWN COUNCIL SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2019 AT 6:30 P.M. IN ROOM 207-209,
TOWN HALL, 84 SOUTH MAIN STREET, CHESHIRE CT 06410**

Present

Chairman David Veleber and Peter Talbot; Absent – Paul Bowman
Staff: Town Manager Sean Kimball; Asst. Town Manager Arnett Talbot; PW Director George Noewatne

Mr. Veleber opened the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll and a quorum was determined to be present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The group Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

**3. DISCUSSION AND ACTION RE: AUTOMATED TRASH COLLECTION
CONTAINER EXCHANGE**

Mr. Noewatne distributed a spread sheet which detailed all the requests for container exchanges.

#1 to #15 – requests from smaller 64 gallon to 96 gallon container.

The other requests were exchanges from 96 gallon to 64 gallon container from elderly, single person homes, disabled and infirm residents.

Mr. Noewatne requested Solid Waste Committee approval to move forward with the container exchanges. The process would start next week for rollout of new containers, and may take several weeks to complete. Residents requesting a container swap have been asked to clean their current container before exchange takes place.

With regard to back yard pickup for some elderly or disabled residents, Mr. Noewatne advised this service would continue.

The automated trash collection program is modeled after the automated recycling program. Mr. Noewatne, PW Department, and Town Manager's office have received numerous resident phone calls about the new automated collection. People have been encouraged to give the automated trash collection a chance to work.

Mr. Veleber asked about houses having the 64 gallon container being sold and the new homeowners requesting the 96 gallon container.

In response, Mr. Noewatne said this exchange request would be approved. There may be future instances where an approval must come from the Solid Waste Committee.

Town Manager Kimball noted the exchange deadline is still July 1st, for people to apply and receive a different sized container.

The last day to use the old trash cans is Friday, April 12th.

Container Inventory – there are 250 spare 96 gallon and 64 gallon containers; following the exchange the Town Council will be provided an update on the container inventory.

Condominiums – the Board of Directors has final say on the size of containers for the condo units, and where they are stored. Old Towne Condo Association requested 96 gallon containers for their units.

MOTION by Mr. Talbot; seconded by Mr. Veleber.

MOVED that the Solid Waste Committee approves the staff recommendation for exchange of automated trash containers as submitted by the Public Works Department.

Discussion

The committee briefly discussed the issue of residents putting the two containers side by side at their driveway for pickup, and multiple houses sharing one driveway. Mr. Noewatne said the containers should be set a little away from each other for pickup, and people will be advised of this fact.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

4. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Talbot; seconded by Mr. Veleber.

MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

Attest:

Marilyn W. Milton, Clerk