## Plaistow TRAC Trash Recycling Advisory Committee

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Date: 3/21/2019
Plaistow Town Hall – Second Floor

Francine Hart Selectmen's Rep Chair

Geoff Adams Vice Chair

Bob Hamilton Member

Audrey Peck Member

Maxann Dobson Member

Peter Bracci Selectmen's Rep Alternate TRAC DRAFT MINUTES 3-21-19

Meeting called to order at 6:38 pm by Francine Hart

Members Present:

- F. Hart
- G. Adams
- B. Hamilton (Excused)
- P. Bracci (Absent)
- A. Peck
- M. Dobson

Pat Macomber (guest speaker)

Alan Phair (guest speaker)

F. Hart motions to approve minutes of 2-21-19; seconded by M. Dobson Motion passes 3-0-0

Mr. Phair, Town Administrator of Atkinson, was present to discuss the CART program.

Discussion of Atkinson's process of switching to CART program. Started thinking about switching companies the summer of 2017, when trash contract was up in April 2018. CART was originally not the plan, they were just looking for new vendors for when the contract was up.

Casella's CART program was the lowest bid. The town took out a municipal lease at 4.1% to fund the program. The loan saved \$50,000.

Atkinson bought barrels from a company called Toter and hired a company to deliver them. There are two barrel sizes: 64 & 96 gallons. The size received is dependent on the house size. Home owner can request bigger/smaller size. Barrels are implemented with tracker and a serial number.

The biggest resistance in town was that the CART program does not take everything, but over time, recycling increased and trash decreased. Bulk pick-up happens twice a year, but residents are also allowed to bring their items to the Raymond dump, utilizing a pay-as-you-throw plan.

A. Peck suggested the committee hold an information session at the library about the CART program.

F. Hart motions for M. Dobson to be chair; seconded by A. Peck. Motion passes 4-0-0

M. Dobson motions for F. Hart to be vice chair; seconded by G. Adams Motion passes 4-0-0

M. Dobson asked A. Peck to take over recording secretary duties.

P. Macomber will be appointed to the committee by next meeting.

A. Peck motions to have to have quarterly meetings until we get closer to renewing the trash contract; seconded by M. Dobson Motion passes 4-0-0

Next meeting will be held June 28, 2019

Meeting adjourned 7:42 pm