

SELECTBOARD MEETING
July 6, 2005 – 6:00 p.m.
Tunbridge Town Office Bldg.

Attendance: Liz Helrick and Donna Barlow-Casey from CVSWMD, Mary Alice Leonard Heath, Wendy McCullough, Dick Adams, Mike O'Donnell, Andy Pomerantz, Jim Wick, Carol Olsen, Jane Cushman and Dick Rogers

This meeting was held to discuss alternatives and options to the CVSWMD EOS Project. Mary Alice encouraged the Boards to look at the whole picture from CVSWMD's point of view. One concern is that Strafford is no longer a member of CVSWMD so how does their not being a member affect their EOS plan. Donna explained that Strafford is a member of 2 districts, including CVSWMD, and their plan is unchanged. The mission of CVSWMD is to create a zero waste stream with the same level of service to all of their members. Their proposal is to create 7 facilities that CVSWMD would run. Chelsea and Tunbridge still expressed interest in not closing their transfer stations. One option is the towns could continue to operate as they have with no subsidy from CVSWMD. If the towns agreed with the EOS project, it's possible that CVSWMD would buy back some of our equipment. Population density, traffic patterns, inequity of billing between Chelsea and Tunbridge were among the issues discussed. Donna suggested hiring a permit specialist to do a site assessment of Chelsea and Tunbridge's transfer stations. This would determine if either one or the other or both sites together could be developed to offer the same services and the proposed new site. Once this assessment is completed, the towns and CVSWMD will meet again.

Chelsea asked that communications and minutes from CVSWMD meetings be sent to the attention of the Selectboard.