

Talkin' Trash in the Spring of 2010

A Community Newsletter from The Waste Disposal Commission

Proud Remarkable Stupendous Marvelous Groovy Incredible Amazing Wonderful Successful
This is how I feel about the residents of Francestown! You are all of these and then some. I just completed the haul log for 2009.

Francestown's Recycling Rate for 2009 is 50.4%!!!! What an Accomplishment!!!!

Our recycling goal each year is at least 40%, the same as the State of NH's goal. We have tracked these numbers for 2 complete years. Our first year we recycled 43.6% of the items brought to the transfer station. In the 2009 Winter edition of Talkin' Trash I asked the residents to exceed that number. You have past the 50% I dreamed about! As Chairman of the Waste Disposal Commission, a member of this community and as a taxpayer, I would like to Thank you. Thank you for making a difference in two very important ways.....our tax dollar and the environment.

~ Keep up the GREAT WORK Francestown ~ Teamwork Gets the Job Done!!! ~

With continued recycling efforts we CAN surpass the 50.4% we accomplished in 2009.....Becky

It is because of these efforts that the Transfer Station's budget decreased in 2010 by at least \$7,600. The final budget numbers say we finished the year in the black with \$23,000 unspent. We are recycling more and it is costing us less! Another factor in allowing us to propose a smaller budget is the economy believe it or not. Last year in the beginning of 2009 we were at the lowest point ever. We went from receiving \$77 per ton for paper in September 2008 to paying \$40 per ton for paper in November 2008. A clear indication we are on the mend is we are **now receiving \$62.50** per ton for paper in March 2010. Unfortunately, we cannot predict the future. We had to plan for the worst case scenario last year when the economy tanked. We based our predictions on our town's disposal history. Our residents have changed history. We are recycling more than ever. This factor is our main factor for success. We now pay \$95 a ton to have our "trash" hauled. We pay \$20 per ton to have our glass hauled, \$30 per ton to have the co-mingled hauled (down from \$50 per ton in Dec 08). We pay \$150 each time Shaw hauls a container. We pay \$225 for a tandem haul of paper and co-mingled. We receive payment for our UBC's (cans), paper and metal. Residents pay the Transfer Station for the other types of waste (E-Waste, CD and Tires), on an individual basis, according to the fee schedule. This and monies received from the sale of our UBC's, paper and metal is what creates revenues from the Transfer Station.

In 2009 the Transfer Station brought in just shy of \$13,000. This money goes into the town's general fund account. If we weren't recycling that would be revenues lost.

Show Me the Money.....

The following numbers tell the story of exactly how we are saving money. The first line tells us what we paid in 2009. The second line tells us what we would have paid if we didn't recycle. The price of \$93 per ton is what we were charged in 2009 to have our MSW and CD hauled. The cost in 2010 has gone up to \$95 per ton, which once you look at the numbers, should encourage us to recycle even tougher. **The good news is because we recycle we saved approximately \$24,000 in tonnage & haul charges.** There would also be a loss of revenues if we didn't recycle, potentially to the tune of \$18,000. So it does pay to recycle!!!!

Type of Recycled Material	Tonnage	Total Cost	Budgeted Amount	Under/Over Budget	Fees Collected	Revenues Received	Town Paid Balance	Loss of Revenues
* Paper	129.61	4909.56	9840.00	4930.44	N/A	N/A	N/A	8100 (if paid at 3-2010 price of \$62.50 per ton)
\$93 per ton	129.61	14753.73		Under				
Savings		9844.17						
* Glass	70.40	3174.60	2500.00	(674.60)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
\$93 per ton	70.40	7747.20		Over				
Savings		4572.60						
* Co-Mingled	39.17	1386.60	1500.00	113.40	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
\$93 per ton	39.17	6042.81		Under				
Savings		4656.21						
Metal	53.0	0.00	1400.00	1400.00	N/A	3458.24	N/A	3458
\$93 per ton	53.0	4929.00		Under				
Savings		4929.00						
* C/D	77.61	8567.00	10000.00	1433.00	4651.00	N/A	3916.00	4651
\$93 per ton	77.61	8567.00		Under				
* Aluminum Cans	3.28	600.00	800.00	200.00	N/A	2500.00	N/A	2500
\$93 per ton	3.28	455.00		Under				
E-Waste	4.96	2856.94	3000.00	143.06	2233.95	N/A	622.99	2233
\$93 per ton				Under				
Appliances	34 Units	306.00	400.00	94.00	300.00	N/A	N/A	300
				Under				
Tires	150 Units	648.00	750.00	102.00	310.50	N/A	N/A	310
				Under				

* Represents 12 months (Dec 08 - Nov 09)

If anyone has any questions please feel free to call Becky Moul, WDC Chairman @ 547-3907.

☺ Great News.....No Charge for Refrigerant Appliances ☺

The Francestown Transfer Station is teaming up with Big Green Recycling to dispose of all our appliances that have refrigerant in it. That means Refrigerators, Freezers, Air Conditioners and De-Humidifiers. We have had to pay \$10 per unit and that charge was passed onto you. Well Big Green Recycling from Bow NH will come pick up the whole unit, recycling all of the materials of each appliance, for FREE. Because of this we are able to discontinue charging you. This is another way the Waste Disposal Commission is working to save us all money and be conscientious recyclers at the same time.

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EDUCATION is KEY for a Successful Recycling Program
Construction & Demolition Debris

Definition of Construction and Demolition Debris: anything that is used to construct a building. This would include wallboard, insulation, wood, siding, windows, doors, concrete, ceiling tiles, rugs, flooring, tile, linoleum, trim, shingles, asphalt paper, decking, etc.

Definition of Bulky Waste: Furniture, mattresses, box springs, pressure treated wood, painted wood, etc.

All of the different types of waste mentioned above go into our C/D container at the Transfer Station. It is then hauled out by Shaw, Inc. He takes it to a facility in Massachusetts that then recycles the items in the container. This leaves a very small percentage of actual un-recyclable waste. Unfortunately, the construction demolition container is a big expense to the town and its residents. The C/D container is a **USER FEE** service. It is only fair for the residents that make use of the container, pay for it. The difference between the C/D container and the compactor is this: Everyone has trash to go into the compactor. Not everyone is remodeling their kitchen or redoing the roof or tearing down that old painted fence or replacing carpet, etc. Another way to look at is: those that use the toll road, pay.....those that don't use the toll road, don't pay. In the absence of a scale to weigh the debris on, we estimate. We estimate on the side of caution to the resident. In 2009 we have had 5 hauls of the C/D container. Each haul costs \$150 for a total of \$750 (just to have the container taken to the recycling facility). We took in a total of 34.38 tons of construction/demolition debris and bulky waste. We are charged \$90 per ton for a total of \$3092.20. We have to pay a monthly rental fee of \$50 for a total of \$350. When we add the 3 together the total spent on CD and Bulky waste is \$4194.20. Thru fees charged to the users of this service we took in \$3045. This leaves a difference of \$1149.20, which the town pays thru taxes raised. Due to State of NH RSA's we have to raise the money in our budget to pay the vendors. The money taken in for the CD & Bulky waste is placed in the general fund which is used to off set the tax rate and pay for other various town needs as voted on at Town Meeting. Please see the Fee Schedule posted on the attendants shed or go on line to the town's new web site (<http://francestown-nh.gov>) to view the Fee Schedule.

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Household Hazardous Waste Day - September 2010

Watch for details to come this summer.

Hours of Transfer Station Operation

Summer Hours will become effective June 2, 2010

Wednesday 1pm-8pm Saturday 8:30am - 4:30pm Sunday 8:30am - 1pm

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