



Change in Littleton

Transfer Station Fee Structure

May 2010

Solid Waste Options Steering
Committee

Current

- \$300 for yearly sticker
- \$70 for senior yearly sticker
- Cost going up
- Abuse going up



Solid Waste Options Steering Committee



- Formed to give recommendation to the Selectmen on how the town should best handle its trash and recycling program.
- Reduce household costs for trash disposal and increase recycling rates through a system that is fair to all residents.



Our Research

- Curbside vs. Drop-off
- Town Survey
 - Results: Wanted drop-off
- Looked at other communities



Our Recommendation

- Continue Littleton Transfer Station operation at Spectacle Pond Road
- For a fairer program, change fee structure
- Eligible for grants
- Eligible for regional recycling opportunities



Recommended Fee Structure

- Flat fee to use the site \$100 and \$30 for seniors
 - Pays for the operations of the site
- Bag fee to dispose of trash
 - \$2 for 33 gallon, \$1 for 15 gallon, and \$.75 for 8.5 gallon.
 - Pays for the disposal of the trash



Seniors

- On limited budgets and produce very little waste.
- They also like to come to the center regularly.
- 8.5 gallon bag for 75 cents each in rolls of 5, \$3.75 per roll.
- If they came 2x week = one for trash and once for recycling \$.75 a week= \$39
- Flat fee and bags = \$69 a year.



Our Expectations

- Starting in October
 - Sticker reduction from \$300 to \$100,
more participation
 - Gives residents control over their bill
 - Reduce our trash by 30-50%
 - Increase our recycling
 - Eligible for DEP grant up to \$9,500
 - Eligible for a Groton collaboration on regional recycling markets



Next Steps

- Education
- Public hearing
- BOS Vote
- Education
- October 2010 start date