



HHW Coordinator's Meeting September 13, 2023 - 6:00 PM

In Person
Humiston Building
103 Main Street
Meredith, NH

6:00 Introductions

Brad Jameson, Belmont	Michelle Crumb, Gilford	Laurence Light, Franklin
Kyle Dodge, Belmont	Tyler Smith, Laconia	Ashley Kenney, Moultonborough
Michael Amero, Franklin	Mary Ellen Prescott, Laconia	
Ellen Farnum, Tamworth	Maud Anderson, Tamworth	David Jeffers, LRPC

6:05 2023 Collection Review

- Belmont – Went smoothly. Opened on time but the truck was late. Local staffing was good, using volunteers, including two members of the Selectboard. Questions about fire extinguishers, car batteries, and electronics.
- Gilford – Same people involved as in in past years. We received numerous “Thank you”. It seems like less material in out there. One commercial guy attempted to come through. Town took any Universal Waste (UW) that people brought in (took it to transfer station). Not a big deal.
- Franklin – Nothing unusual. Tradebe was out by 2:30 PM. Praise for Tradebe holding Saafety meeting and going over things with staff.
- Laconia – New traffic pattern was a concern initially, but once they started taking waste, there were no traffic problems. Tradebe was well staffed and well prepared.
- Moultonborough – Tradebe was ready to go and done by 1:30 PM. UW was not a problem. There was good coordination with town staff regarding the pouring off of old gas. Lots of staff and volunteers.
- Meredith – New traffic pattern was confusing for some, especially those not familiar with the Meredith facility (multiple options for the driver). Town took any UW that people brought in (took it to transfer station). Could use some shade for survey takers. Consider electronic survey on a tablet. In site set-up re-orient the roll-off.
- Bristol – New traffic pattern simplified things. Still had some coming in the wrong way but turnaround option was good – less stress. Tradebe did a good job. Some questions about UW.

The participation and survey results were discussed. 1,385 participants through seven collections. Record turnout in Moultonborough. Bristol and Meredith were about average, the remaining sites had below-average turnout. With most of the manifests in, these show that we collected 55,000 lbs. (27.5 tons) of HHW and 70% of it was classed as Ignitables.

6:30 Wrap up of 2023 Collection

Our final collection will be in Tamworth on Sat. Oct. 7 at the K.A. Brett School. A site walk will be held later this week. Additional workers (staff or volunteers) from surrounding communities are welcome.

6:40 HHW Disposal Opportunities Beyond Lakes Region HHW 2023

Additional disposal opportunities are listed at the LRPC website.

LRHHHPF – Wolfeboro (9/16, 8/21) (\$45/5 gal)

Pemi-Baker – Plymouth (9/23) (\$31/5 gal)

UVLSRPC (9/30 – Lebanon)

LRPC/Town report summary - Will be included in LRPC Annual Report

6:50 Looking Ahead - HHW 2023

- Materials
 - Shirts – Some workers were not wearing them. That was not the case at all locations.
 - Signs – New banners and signage likely needed for next year.
 - Other – A few coordinators said that it would be a big help (especially in some smaller communities) if LRPC printed brochures.
- Universal Waste
 - Treat as Solid Waste
 - Needs more discussion. Hard to have one approach when it is handled in so many different methods.
 - Sept. 21 Roundtable on UW was noted.
- Some changes with the new multi-year contract that is being finalized – Pros & Cons – Review
 - Continuing – Flat fee pricing (know costs in advance), no pre-registration required.
 - New format – Instead of two collection dates, four collection dates. One each in June, July, August, and September – two sites open each of the four dates.
 - New Pricing – Pricing has remained the same for five years. Due to historic inflation and some changes in the hazwaste industry the cost will jump this year – about 40% with small increases in the following years. We are proposing a small stipend for hosts to help with dumpster cost.
 - Letter of Commitment – As always, we seek a commitment pending Town Meeting approval. The appropriation letter is expected to go out in Oct., with a return by Dec.31. Note: If withdrawing from the collection, a community must reply to us in writing by March 31 to avoid being responsible for the appropriation.
- Dates and Sites
 - Options for dates include - **June 1, 22 July 27 Aug. 3, 24 Sept. 14, 28**
 - These dates account for holidays/Bike Week/Tradebe commitments but provide some additional options for spring cleaning and closing up camp!
 - LRPC cannot impose a solution on you. The remainder of the meeting (and extra time!) was spent working on who might go when.
 - There is some movement, but a couple of coordinators need to check with their municipality.

8:00 Adjourn