Sullivan Select Board
Meeting Minutes
April 01, 2025

Selectmen: Norman Bamford, Gregory Ring , and Erin Shanahan
Town Manager: Ray Weintraub, Town Clerk: Yvette Grindle
Audience: Don Snoke, Roger Wakefield, Dereck Connor, Michael Hoskin, Barbara Raymond, Keith Hamel, John Keenan, Robert Dahn, Bruce Dieter, Taylor Millspaugh (VIA Zoom) and John Morris.

The Meeting was called to Order by Norman Bamford with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5pm.
Erin Shanahan arrived about 10 minutes late.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Norman Bamford moved to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2025 meeting. Gregory Ring seconded the motion, and it passed 2/0.

Treasurers Warrant

Norman Bamford moved to approve the Treasures Warrant. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Adjustments to the agenda

Norman Bamford moved the approval of the Treasures Warrant to the end of the agenda.
Norman Bamford made a correction on the agenda noting that the sealed bids would be opened at the next Selectboard meeting on April 15, 2025. Changed it to review of the two proposed bids.

New Business:

Pay As You Throw presentation

Taylor Millspaugh (VIA Zoom) made a presentation about Waste Zero and how it could be beneficial to the town in reducing cost. The bags are 15 gallons and 33 gallons that are provided by Waste Zero. John Keenan expressed his concern about the bags not being biodegradable. Barbara Raymond was concerned about the cost of the bags. The Town Manager noted that the cost per bag would be going up as cost to the Town was becoming more of a cost burden. A number of the attendees expressed the desire to have recycling. The Town Manager noted that we could have recycling. He and the Selectboard was looking into a number of options from different companies, Waste Zero was just one of these companies.

Sealed Bids

The Selectboard reviewed the proposed the proposed bids and agreed to have them go into Ellsworth American for 2 weeks.

Appointing of the Sexton of the Cemeteries

The Town Manager introduced Robert Dahn whom the Cemetery Committee has asked the Selectboard to approve to be the Sexton. This position was voted on at the Annual Town Meeting June 2024 as a stipend position. Gregory Ring asked if Mr. Dahn was insured/bonded and Mr. Dahn said yes he is as it's a required by the Town.

Norman Bamford moved to accept Mr. Robert Dahn as Sexton, Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

The Town Clerk swore in Mr. Dahn as the Towns Sexton.

Old Business:

Cannabis Ordinance Committee

Norman Bamford asked the members of the audience whom wished to be on the Cannabis Committee. There were 5 individuals whom raised their hands. Mr. Bamford then asked of those 5 whom wished to be the Chairman of the committee. John Morris stated that he would be willing to be the chairman. Erin Shanahan asked if someone was not able to be present at this meeting could they still serve on the committee, Mr. Bamford noted that yes they could. Mr. Bamford asked Derek Connor if he would be

vice chair and then asked Barbara Raymond if she would be secretary of the committee. Erin Shanahan asked for the individuals to please give a bit of background about themselves and why they want to be on the committee, starting with Mr. Morris.

Mr. Morris stated that he had no objection with the sale of cannabis but that it needs to be done carefully. He himself deals with licensing a number of cannabis facilities with his work with the State of Maine.

Derek Connors he wanted to get involved because he wants to keep things clean and respectful.

John Keenan asked that the committee please put into the ordinance that the visual appeal of the Town be put into the wording of the ordinance.

Norman Bamford moved to accept these individuals be approved as officers to the Cannabis Ordinance Committee. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.
Norman Bamford noted that they would need to report back to the Selectboard every other board meeting. The Town Manager noted that they need to get with either him or the Town Clerk to set up their meeting time and date.
Budget Committee
Norman Bamford asked Roger Wakefield if he wished to be the Chairman of the Budget Committee, Roger stated that he was asked and had agreed to serve as the chairman.
Norman Bamford moved to appoint Roger Wakefield as chairman of the Budget committee. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.
Roger Wakefield gave an update, noting that they were looking at the reserve accounts and investing monies in the reserve accounts that was just sitting in the bank not gaining the Town much in interest. Donald Snoke reported that the draft budget for the RSU24 has a 6% increase system wide, but Sullivan is getting hit with a 10.6% increase due largely to the Towns reassessment.
Town Manager Reports:
The Town Manager noted that he had reached out to Casella Waste Management about curbside pick-up in the Town, and they will be at the April 15th, 2025 Selectboard meeting. The proposed budget for RSU 24 will go up $254,000 for the Town of Sullivan to 2.6 million.
Truck on Taunton Drive
The Town Manager noted the on-going issue of the large trucks going up Taunton Drive. He reached out to CCar or the University of Maine(fish farm). They stated that they have been interested in setting up a meeting with the Town since the ordinance has been in place. He is trying to work out a meeting for the Town and the two other companies to meet with each other.
Road Commissioner Report
Most of the pot holes have been patched and the frost is slowly coming out of the ground he has put out 60 bags cold patch. He is in hopes of paving Taunton Drive this year.
Public Comment
Roger Wakefield expressed concerned about the debris on the property on the Thorne Road that had the trailer burn earlier this year. He asked what was the plans to encourage the owners to clean up the property. Mr. Wakefield concerns brought concerns about another property on Rt1 by the Playground. Prompting the Selectboard to ask the Town Manager to see what was the legal action the Town needed to do. The Town Manager noted he would look into the process.
Mr. Keenan noted the electric board stated that he would like to take out Nomination papers. The Town Clerk noted that he could come see her tomorrow during regular business hours.
Board Comment

Gregory Ring noted that there are several dumpsters that was pretty close to the Towns right of way. That Casella needs to be called

Motion to Move to Executive Session

Norman Bamford moved to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6) (F) to discuss Confidential Records. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Moved to Executive session 6:08p

Out of Executive session 6:25p

Executive Session Actions

Norman Bamford reported that they approved 1 abatement and the partial abatement that was presented 3-18-25. They also approved the renewal of a conceal carry permit.

Motion to Adjourn

Norman Bamford moved to adjourn the meeting, Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm

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Approval of the Minutes from the April 01,2025 Selectboard Meeting

Norman Bamford

Erin Shanahan

Gregory Ring

Attached:

- **Agenda of Selectboard 03-18-2025**
- **Proposal Mowing of Town Properties**
- **Zero Waste Power Point**

Agenda
Sullivan Select Board Meeting
April 01, 2025
5:00pm

Call Meeting to Order/Pledge
Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes
Treasurers Warrant
Adjustments to the agenda
New Business:
Opening of Sealed Bids
Pay As You Throw presentation
Appointing of the Sexton of the Cemeteries
Old Business:
Cannabis Ordinance Committee
Budget Committee
Town Manager Reports:
Town Manager
Road Commissioner Report
Public Comment
Board Comment
Motion to Move to Executive Session
Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6) (F) to discuss Confidential Records
Executive Session Actions
Motion to Adjourn

Town of Sullivan

The Town of Sullivan, Maine requests proposals for Grass Mowing and Bush Hog work on the following town owned properties

MOWING –

- Town Office, 1888 US Hwy 1 – Front of building
- Gordon's Wharf, End of Wharf Road

BUSH HOG –

- Town Office, 1888 US Hwy 1
- Former Hastings House, 1757 US Hwy 1
- Tennis Court, Benvenuto Ave
- Sullivan Transfer Station, 95 Transfer Station Road
- Old Transfer Station, Whales Back Road

Work to begin by May 12th, 2025

To be included in bid:

a) Evidence of Liability Insurance
b) Evidence of Workers Compensation Insurance or Approved Rebuttable Presumption Notification from Worker's Compensation Board
c) Listing of equipment available to fulfill contract.

Proposers should deliver one (1) sealed copy of their proposal including technical and pricing to the address below:

Town of Sullivan
Attn: Town Manager
1888 US Highway 1
Sullivan, Maine 04664

More information may be obtained at the Town Office at the address listed about, during regular business hours, or by emailing townmanager@sullivanmaine.org.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked on the exterior,
"Grass Mowing and Bush Hog" by 4:00 p.m. Tuesday May 6th 2025.
The Town Manager will open and read the bids at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday May 6th 2025.
The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

Town of Sullivan

The Town of Sullivan, Maine requests proposals for landscape work at the following;

GROUND PREP FOR GRASS –

- Town Playground, 1776 US Hwy 1 – Prepare the bare ground area next to the playground for grass - grade, seed.

TREE CLEARING –

- Town Playground, 1776 US Hwy 1 – Along the property line and an area near the playground equipment

Work to begin by May 19th, 2025

To be included in bid:

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"Playground Landscaping" by 4:00 p.m. Tuesday May 6th 2025.
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Sullivan

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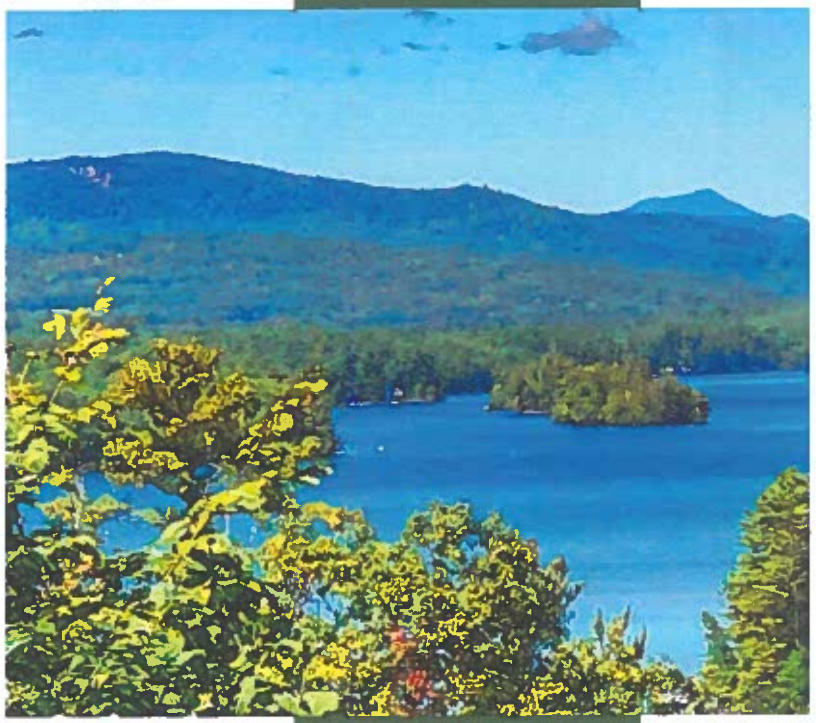
Save Money. Reduce Waste.



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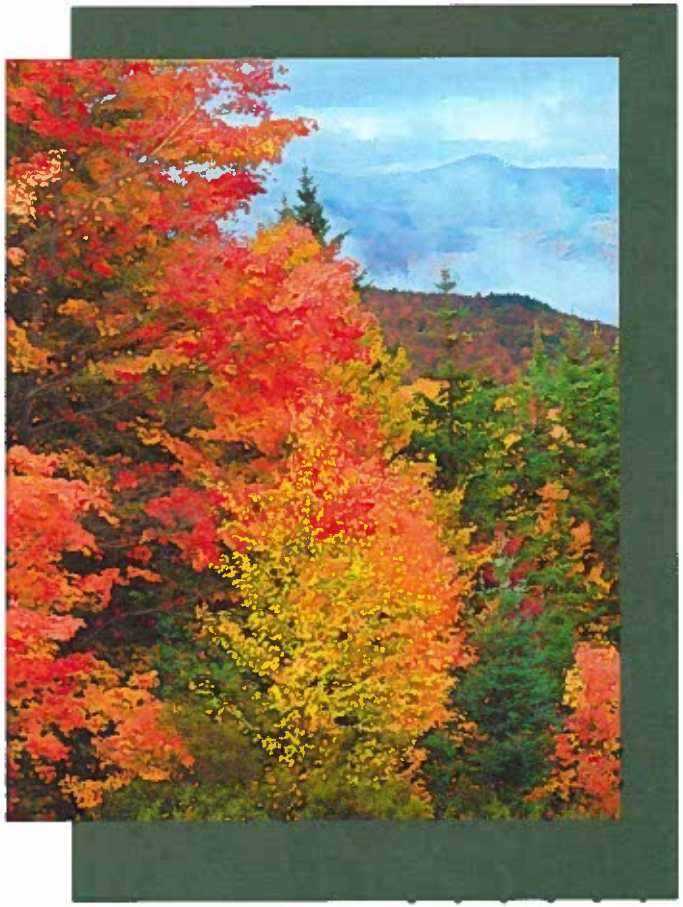
35	Years of Waste Reduction Programs
500	Municipalities served
96%	Percent Customer Retention
44%	Decrease in Solid Waste
2X	Increased Recycling
1.7	Billion in municipal savings
10%	of B-Corps "Best for the Environment"



PAYT

PAY AS YOU THROW

FAIRNESS

INCREASED RECYCLING, COMPOSTING, AND WASTE REDUCTION

DECREASE IN TRASH TONS DISPOSED

1. BAGS
2. STICKERS OR TAGS
3. HYBRID PROGRAMS

PAYT COMMUNITIES

Massachusetts
-159 out of 351 communities have PAYT

Maine
-138 communities

New Hampshire
-31 communities

1 Abbot
2 Addison
3 Amity
4 Appleton
5 Arundel
6 Attean*
7 Bald Mountain*
8 Bath
9 Brunswick
10 Beals
11 Belfast
12 Biddeford
13 Big Six*
14 Black Gore*
15 Blanchard TWP*
16 Bowdoinham
17 Brewer
18 Bucksport
19 Calais
20 Camden
21 Castine
22 Castle Hill
23 Chapman
24 Columbia
25 Columbia Falls
26 Corinth
27 Crystal
28 Cumberland
29 Dennistown
30 Dixmont
31 Dresden
32 Durham
33 Dyer Brook
34 Elliotsville TWP*
35 Ellsworth
36 Eliot
37 Fairfield
38 Falmouth
39 Farmington
40 Forsyth*
41 Frankfort
42 Franklin
43 Freedom
44 Freeport
45 Fryeburg
48 Gouldsboro
49 Hammond
50 Hancock
51 Harmony
52 Hersey
53 Holden
54 Holeb*
55 Hope
56 Howland
57 Hudson
58 Island Falls
59 Islesboro
60 Jackman
61 Jonesboro
62 Jonesport
63 Kenduskeag
64 Kennebunk
65 Knox
66 Leeds
67 Liberty
68 Lincolnville
69 Long Pond
70 Machias
71 Madison
72 Mapleton
73 Mars Hill
74 Marshfield
75 Mercer
76 Merrill
77 Misery TWP*
78 Monson
79 Monticello
80 Montville
81 Moose River
82 Moro Plt.
83 Mount Chase
84 New Limerick
85 New Vineyard
86 North Berwick
87 North Haven
88 North Yarmouth
89 Northport
90 Ogunquit
91 Old Orchard Beach
92 Old Town
95 Perham
96 Portland
97 Pownal
98 Prentice*
99 Presque Isle
100 Raymond
101 Rockport
102 Roque Bluffs
103 Sandy Bay*
104 Sanford
105 Searsmont
106 Searsport
107 Sidney
108 Sorrento
109 South Berwick
110 Starks
111 Stockton Springs
112 Sullivan
113 T5 R6*
114 T5 R7*
115 T7 R5*
116 T7 R18*
117 T7 R19*
118 T11 R4*
119 Thorndike
120 Thorndike TWP
121 Topsham
122 Troy
123 Union
124 Unity
125 Upper Enchanted*
126 Vinalhaven
127 Warren
128 Washington
129 Washburn
130 Waterville
131 Wade
132 Wellington
133 Wells
134 West Bath
135 Whitneyville
136 Willimantic
137 Windsor
138 Winter Harbor

*unorganized

TAGS/ PUNCH CARDS

TAG PROGRAMS CAN DELIVER RESULTS BUT THEY ARE NOT THE MOST EFFECTIVE

WHY BAGS?

GREATER WASTE REDUCTION

40% RECUTION IN TRASH WHEN YOU GO TO FULL PAYT

REDUCE COSTS

LOWER TRASH= LOWER TIPPING FEES

INCREASED REVENUE

FAIR FOR RESIDENTS, EASIER FOR STAFF, AND MORE SAVINGS

COMMUNITY BENIFITS

MORE RESOURCES FOR OTHER USES
EXTEND LANDFILL

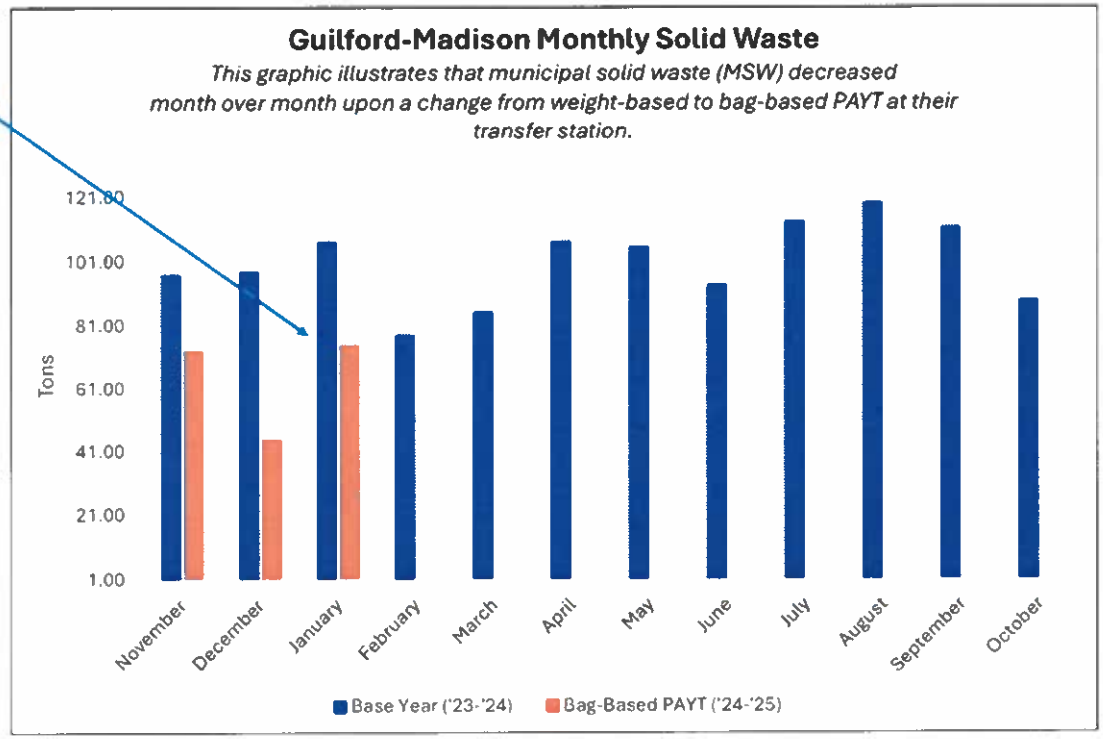
RSD

WE MAKE DISTRIBUTION EASY

	BAGS	STORAGE	ORDER MANAGEMENT	ACCOUNTING	STORE DELIVERY
OTHER COMPAINES	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
WASTEZERO	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Successes

36.4% decrease in MSW over the first 3 months

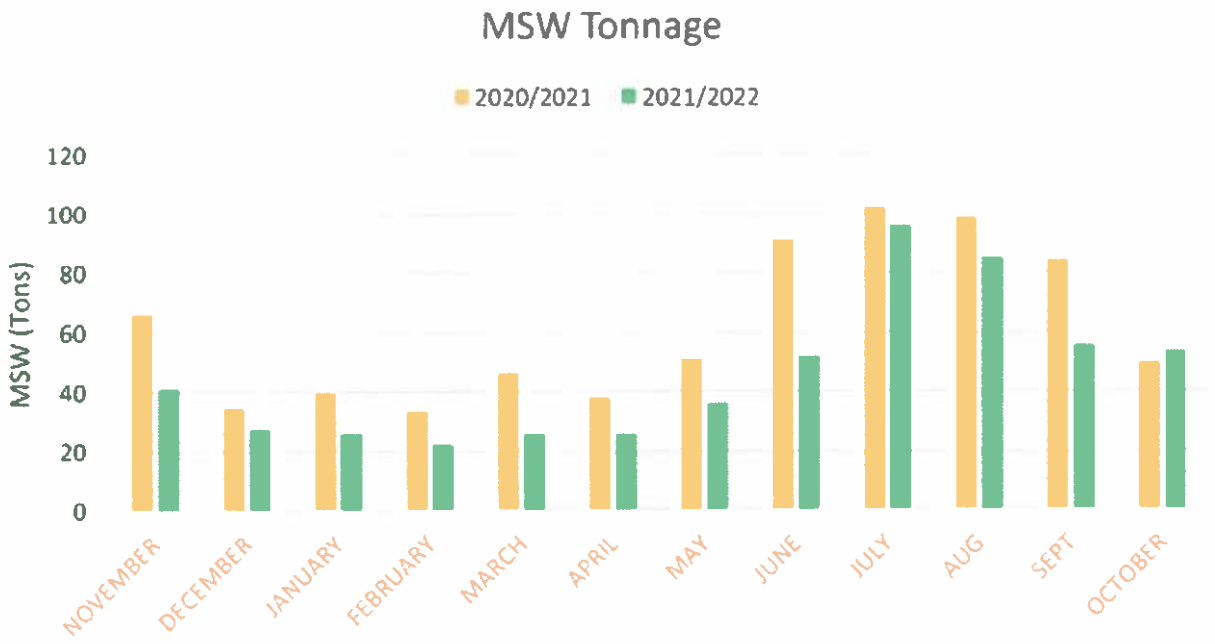


Successes

Wells, Maine

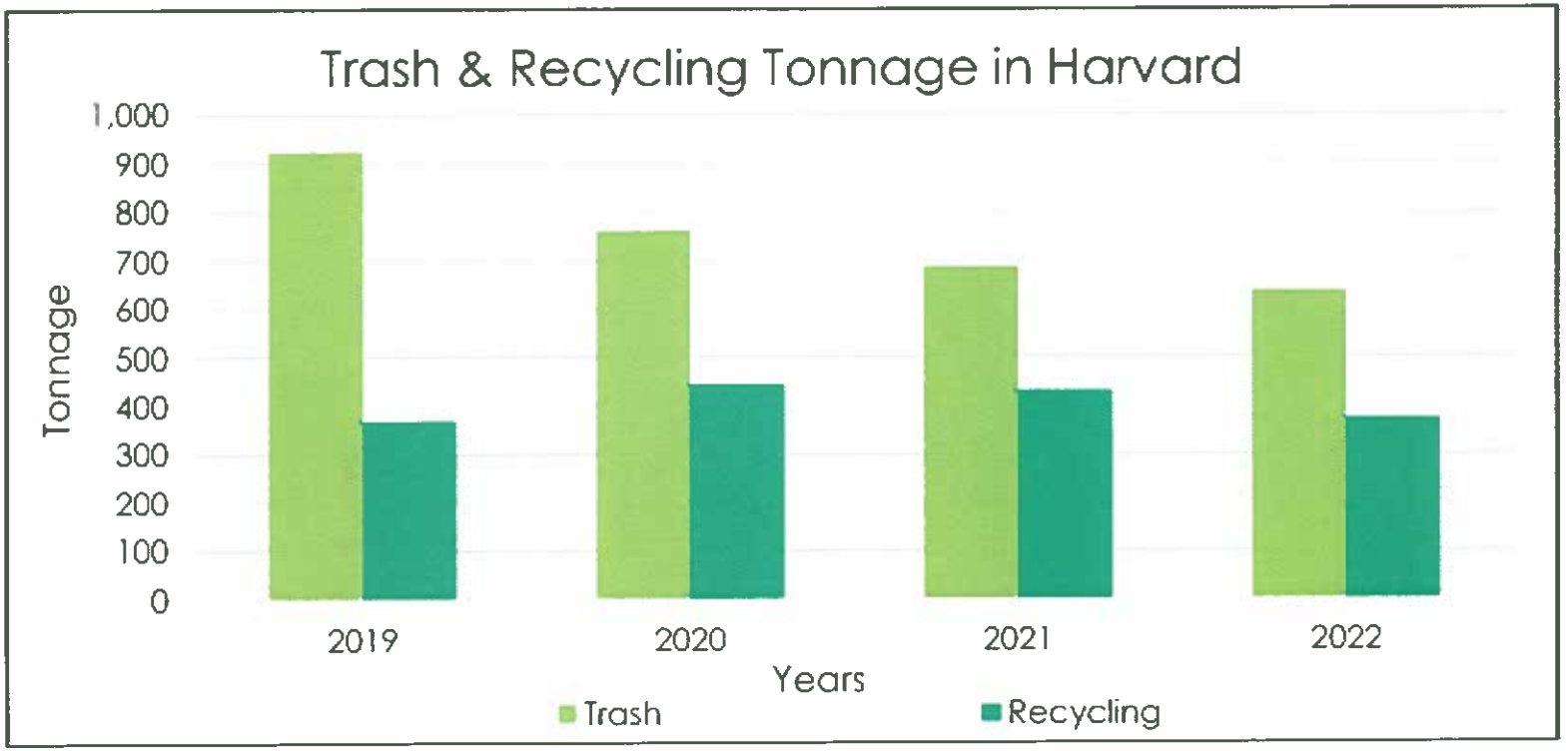
Pre-PAYT: 736.09T

Post-PAYT: 546.62T



Successes

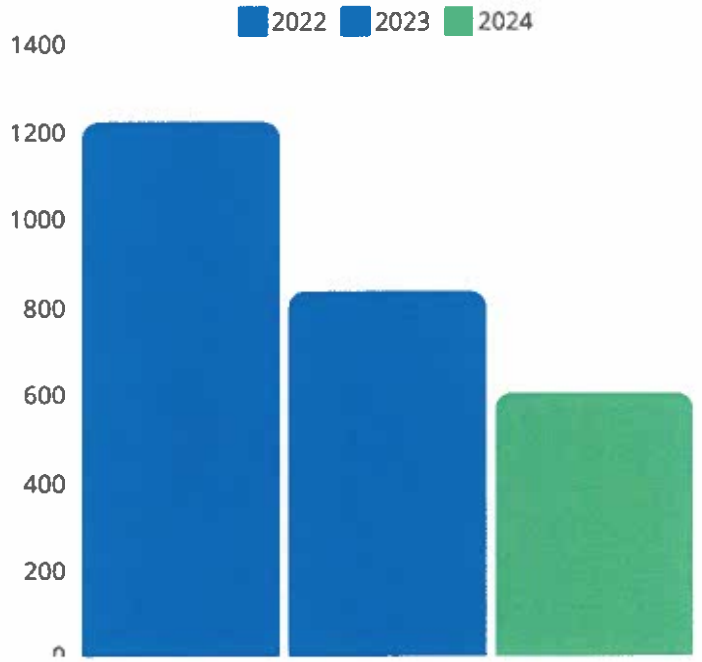
Harvard reduced their trash generation by 31% as compared to prior to PAYT. Previously they had $250 Transfer Station Fee and dropped to $130 and PAYT



Successes

Essex, MA

DECREASE OF 50%



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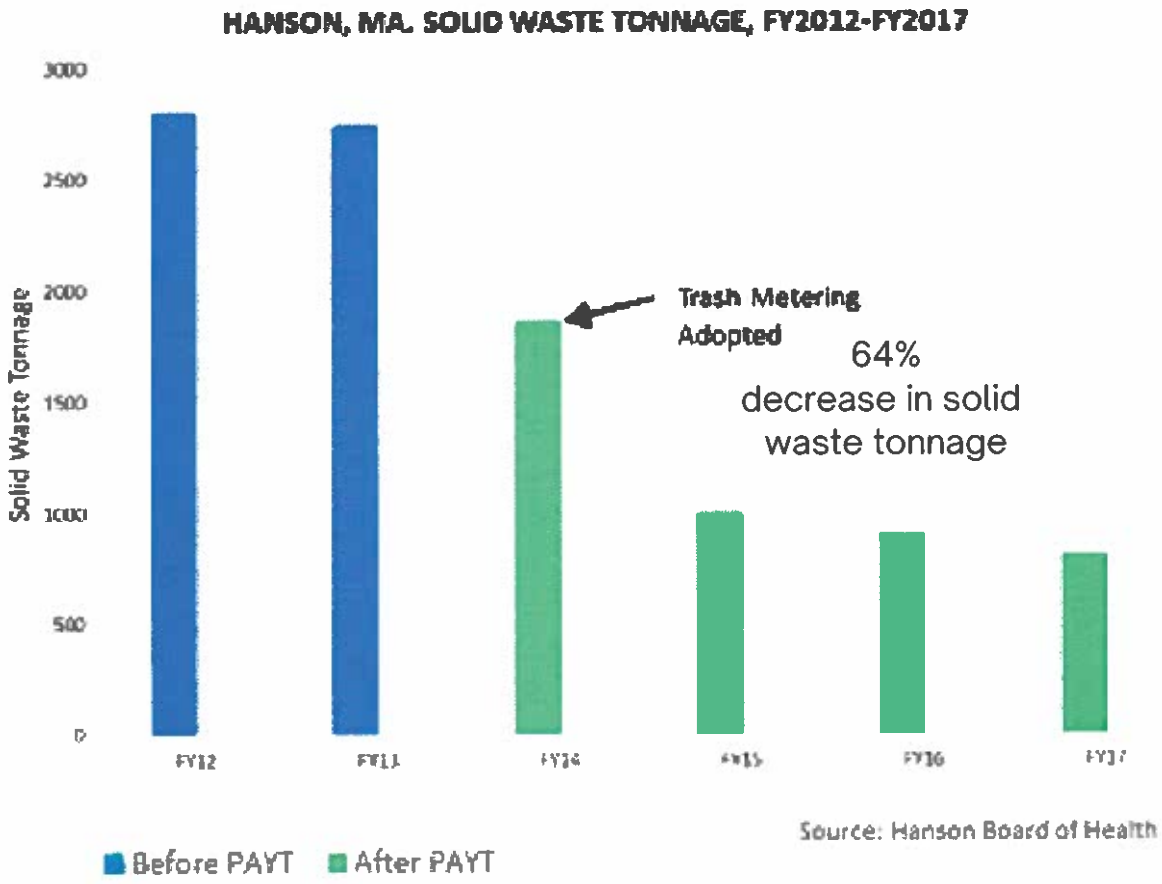
HANSON, MA. SOLID WASTE TONNAGE, FY2012-FY2017
Solid Waste Tonnage
3000
2500
2000
1500
1000
500
0
FY12
FY13
FY14
FY15
FY16
FY17
Trash Metering Adopted
64% decrease in solid waste tonnage
Source: Hanson Board of Health
Before PAYT
After PAYT

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