Town of Hart's Location New Hampshire

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS IN HART'S LOCATION

Dear Neighbors,

We have exciting news to share. We have entered into a preliminary agreement with the Towns of Bartlett & Jackson for Hart's Location Residents and Property Owners to use the Bartlett-Jackson Transfer Station effective October 1, 2019.

This means that our community will have full access to recycling and the large item fee disposal areas at the transfer station, as well as use of the trash compactors.

We will be discontinuing use of the dumpster at town hall on October 15th, allowing for a one-month transition period.

This will represent a shift in how we all handle our solid waste disposal moving forward. Recycling at the transfer station is mandatory, not optional. Attached to this letter is a list of recyclable materials that will need to be sorted out of your trash, as well as a fee schedule for disposal of large items and construction materials.

Hart's Location Residents and Property Owners will need to obtain a transfer station sticker for all vehicles using the transfer station. These stickers are on order and should be available at Town Hall prior to the October 1st start date. This letter will serve as your authorization to use the transfer station facilities starting October 1st until the stickers become available.

Our use of the transfer station is on a trial basis between now and Annual Town Meeting in March 2020. There will be a warrant article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant asking voters to approve a one-time infrastructure investment of \$10,000 in the Transfer Station. This investment will be made in an initial payment of \$5000 in 2020 and \$1000 per year in 2021-2025. There will be an annual solid waste disposal fee equivalent to the \$7500 we are currently paying for solid waste disposal.

The Board of Selectmen have worked over the last two years to bring this opportunity to the town and feel that the benefits to the town are worth the infrastructure investment. The trail period will give our residents and property owners the opportunity to evaluate the benefits for themselves and make an informed vote in March. If the vote passes, our community will have access to full use of the transfer station facilities for a minimum of ten years. If the vote does not pass in March, our use of the transfer station facilities will terminate on March 31, 2021.

We realize that this transition will affect all of us in the need to sort our trash and transport it to a more distant facility with regularly scheduled operating hours. We recognize that this may represent an inconvenience to some. We feel that the advantages of being able to recycle and to dispose of large items like mattresses, box springs, appliances, tires, metal, construction material, large brush, etc. outweigh the inconvenience of sorting trash and transporting it to the transfer station.

There may be opportunities for private trash and recycling pick up by private vendors for those residents who prefer not to make the trip to the transfer station themselves. We will advise you of any vendors offering this service as we become aware of them. In addition, residents and property owners may choose to contract with private waste disposal firms if they do not wish to participate in recycling or use of the transfer station.

I personally am very excited and proud to bring this opportunity to our residents and property owners. It has been a personal goal to make recycling available ever since I took office as a Selectmen many years ago. The ability to offer recycling to the community has eluded us until now. And the opportunity to use the fee disposal areas represents an opportunity for all residents and property owners to dispose of a myriad of items that previously have not been accepted in the dumpster and required private contractors for disposal.

Please see the accompanying information sheet for the list of items that require mandatory recycling and also the large item disposal schedule of fees.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Board of Selectmen.

We hope this transition will be beneficial to our entire community.

Best Regards,

Mark Dindorf

Chair, Board of Selectmen

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