

CORNISH PLANNING BOARD - May 15, 1987

Members present; Marilyn McCulloch; Dian Perkins; Mary Pichi
two selectmen and 8 members of the public.

Meeting called to order by the Chairman at 7:09 p.m.

The meeting was called to consider the application of the Selectmen of the Town of Cornish for a Conditional Use Permit to establish a Waste Disposal Station on Route 25 at the site of the "old Town Dump" so-called.

Ronald Othuse to speak for the Town as the Town's representative on the Sacopee Solid Waste Board.

Ronnie: This is a Transfer Station, not a dump. Rubbish will be left on the site not more than two days, in a closed container. Cornish is located centrally and there is three phase power running by this road. There is plenty of gravel to do the site work and it will be set up 300' from the river. There will be no amount of fluid coming out of the system. 20' paved road; 4' shoulder on each side. 9' retaining wall that will separate the two levels. Area for tires etc. do not plan to store them on the ground. When containers are full, it will be hauled away. Considering one week per year to have refridgers and stoves and the like to be collected and hauled away.

Questions:

Photo of similar transfer station located in Waterboro. Site work not out for bids as yet. Removal on bid out to Merck.

Marilyn: Brown & Ferris is supplying the equipment.

Donald Jack: Estimated cost? \$34,100 site cost and permits.

Mabel McDade: Is there an alternative property if permit not granted by Saco river Corridor Commission?

Ronnie: Looking for a site. SRCC requires 500' from water. Site is set back 300'. Didnot know there was going to be a problem with SRCC until last week. Their lawyer feels that it will be difficult to obtain a permit. Town's lawyer is checking to see and will let us know this week. Mr. Normantus is technically down June 1st. Substantially increased cost.

Public Session closed. Planning Board will convene as an official meeting as advertised in the paper.

Mabel McDade and Kermit Elliot have written letters to voice their concerns (Letters attached and made a part hereof.)

Official Meeting of the Planning Board to consider the Conditional use Permit requested by the Selectmen. Meeting declared open at 7:30 P.M.

Diann: Road Frontage?

Ronnie: More than 500' - 14 acres between road and River.

Diann: Why one entrance, instead of two?

Ronnie: Mainly because of the road that is already there. Engineers feel it is best to have one instead of two. Cost is not a factor.

Safer and help flow of traffic to have it move in the same direction.

D: is 20' road big enough? The Town roads are 20' wide.

R: This is only a driveway.

D: How much will be cleared and how much is parking?

R: Engineers have designed three parking areas.

D: The Waterboro site one loop - wide lot in the front with a "Cul-de-sac" (circle) to drive around. How far is dumping by the 9' embankment from the road.

R: 200' from the main road then it is more than 300' from River. dEP requires 100' back from Route 25.

D: Where will oil and chemicals be put. Not allowed on site.
Someone will monitor this set hours? Yes.
Trash sorted? Everything will go in the same containers. There is a restriction on what is accepted.

D: Will there be a facility for water? Pollution problem prohibits it.
Definite hours Yes.

D: What is Cornish getting out of this for use of the land? \$240 per year from each five towns. She feels other towns are getting a good deal.

Warren: Jim and he were at Selectmen's meeting and Mr. Seelye was on the committee. Warren asked him how they arrived at \$240.00

D: Can this amount be changed as rates go up. Can we increase this?

W: Nothing in writing.

R: A written lease will be obtained from the five towns. Working together we are saving enough to take care of the low rates. Expenses will be divided 21% by all the towns, but Baldwin, they pay 16%.

Mary: Construction will be split five ways and expenses will be split five ways. Any employee will be an employee of the Sacopee Solid Waste Board. All this goes back to the Interlocal Dump Agreement.

D: Who is responsible for injuries, the Town of Cornish? No Sacopee Solid Waste.

D: Fencing?

R: Chain link across retaining wall in front of hopper. Nothing to collect paper? No loose paper, unless illegally dumped. No night hours - Security lights/ not felt needed.

Mary: Can kids go down when dump not opened?

R: Cant not really see anything that would.

Mary: Traffic increase. R: Not noticeable 90% of rubbish is picked up by the commercial haulers

D: Will leaves and boards be acceptable? R: A few. Not a serious problem.

M: On the road, is this including plantings. R: Will plant pine trees to screen it in the winter.

M: Land abutters; any buffers? R: There is already wood land. Gravel pit on Kezar Falls side owned by Robinson Mfg. Co. 500' wide.

M: Water. R: No Town Water. There isn't any need to provide water.

W: Why would they need water? D: Fire. W: Call the Fire Dept.

M: Site in Waterboro transfer Station has water and it was a nuisance.

D: Permit issued from Town Offices? R: The summer people would have to have a sticker too. Buy a permit to prove they are a resident.

D: No ordinance in town for the establishment of a transfer station. I will uphold every regulation within my power, and see that it is constructed by the CODE.

R: Sebago Technics designed this and will oversee the matter.

M: How long will this take to complete. Begin around June 1st.

D: How far is the dump from Mabel McDades house? R: Considerable distance.

M: Mrs. McDade, you did write a letter to the Selectmen. Letter from Kermit Elliott. Mrs. McDade, Mr. Elliott, Highland Farms, Robinson Mfg. Co. were all notified of this Hearing as abutters.

M: On Page 26 and to include Page 27, increase hot top.

M: Letter from SRCC advising that it has some very real problems with the application and approval has not been made to SRCC.

Interlocal was approved 1981, we tried to do this 4-5 times and Normantus came into the picture and then the selectmen decided to try again.

David: Residential Zone - Agricultural area - to have a Municipal construction requires a conditional use permit.

MY The Planning Board is concerned about the width of pavement and thickness of the pavement. 2" Hot top deep enough on this as prepared by Sebago technics.

D: If approval of this project depends on the thickness of the hot top, I question the relevancy of it. All required plans will be upheld.

Mary: Motion made that we consider granting the Cornish Waste Transfer Station a Conditional Use Permit. Seconded 2-1 Vote.

D: Wants double entrance and wider driveway. R: 20' wide. Every vehicle is 8' wide. increase pavement to 24' and shoulders.

MY Mostly commercial loaders, not private citizens? R: Will be hauling out three times per week. Compactor can be removed when dump is closed.

D: How high will the fence be? R: 4' high in front.

Mary: Motion made to grant the Town of Cornish a Conditional Use Permit to establish, run and maintain a Waste Transfer Station on Route 25 at the site of the Old Cornish Dump, so-called, for the benefit of the Towns of Cornish, Parsonsfield, Baldwin, Hiram and Porter, subject to the following conditions:

1) All required Federal, State, County, Regional, Local and any other necessary permits are applied for, favorable grantings are rendered, and all conditions contained in such permits are met and maintained. Diann Seconded. Unanimous vote for.

Respectfully submitted,



Joan L. Bettencourt,
Recording Secretary