



STAFF REPORT

Public Hearing 10-1-19

AGENDA ITEM #: #19-110
COUNCIL MTG OF: October 1, 2019
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SUBJECT: Temporary Fees Construction & Demolition Debris

PURPOSE: To adopt a temporary fee structure by resolution, designed to address weight -based charges when the scale will be inoperative during a scheduled infrastructure replacement.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

BACKGROUND: The Town’s Solid Waste Ordinance is contained within Chapter 128. Currently, customers are charged to dispose of construction and demolition debris based on the weight of the product.

DISCUSSION: The Department of Public Works seeks to replace the existing scale which was installed in 1994 with a new scale approved in the FY 20 budget. A bid was solicited to replace the scale and the new scale will be installed in late October or early November 2019. Since the scale is a being replaced in the current location, the scale operations will be closed for approximately four weeks.

There is a steady demand for service to accept construction and demolition debris. In 2018, the existing scale had a failed part which could not be repaired for nearly five weeks. Customers were diverted to other facilities if they sought to dispose of C & D debris. It is the Town’s intent to provide convenience to customers by continuing to permit disposal at fixed fees, based on approximate volumes.

Customers normally charged a weight-based fee will be assessed a flat fee based on the estimated volume of the of vehicle or trailer that they bring to the Transfer Station. Based on experience of weights for various sized units at full capacity, the following temporary charges would apply:

Resident – Passenger Vehicle (Trunk or otherwise)	\$45
Resident – ½ Ton Pickup Truck (Tundra/F150)	\$90
Resident – ¾ Ton Pickup Truck (2500, 3500 class)	\$135
Resident – 1 Ton Pickup Truck (4500, 5500 class)	\$180
Resident – Box Truck or Trailer (approximately 2 tons)	\$360
Non-Resident – Passenger Vehicle (Trunk or otherwise)	\$55
Non-Resident – ½ Ton Pickup Truck (Tundra/F150)	\$110
Non-Resident – ¾ Ton Pickup Truck (2500, 3500 class)	\$165
Non-Resident – 1 Ton Pickup Truck (4500, 5500 class)	\$220
Non-Resident – Box Truck or Trailer (approximately 2 tons)	\$440

FISCAL IMPACT: The Town will continue to receive anticipated revenues from C & D disposal during the period when the scale is being replaced. There is no anticipated adverse impact to revenues during this period. The fee structure will revert to the existing condition of 9 cents per pound for Derry residents and 11 cents per pound for non-Derry customers.

RECOMMENDED ACTION BY TOWN COUNCIL: Staff recommends that the Town Council vote to approve the proposed temporary fees and authorize the Town Administrator to enact the fees for the duration that the new scale will be under construction. The fee structure will then revert to the precedent condition upon completion of the new scale.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: See Resolution #2019-057

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