

## Notes from the Special Meeting of the Sanitary Waste Commission – December 3, 2011

Purpose: Tour of the Essex Town Dump/Landfill–

Commission members Leigh Rankin, Mark Reeves, Rober VanHouten and Susan Malan were joined by Norm Needleman First Selectman and Mike Birner (employee) we met at the dump at 8:00 a.m.

Mike Birner lead the group in a tour of the facility, providing background and details of each area of responsibility including, bulky waste, electronics, paint, oil, recycling. The group asked specific questions and discussed several areas of possible improvement including better signage, communication with residents on hours of operation and recycling programs, remedies to alleviate the collection of cash, a generator for the compactors, etc.

The group gathered in Mr. Birner's office and discussed the current recycling program, the upcoming contract negotiations with CRAA, and the general use of the transfer station.

The tour and discussions ended at approximately 9:40 a.m.