First Selectman’s Waste Management Committee (FSWMC)
Meeting Minutes, November 5, 2020

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 4:10 PM

2. **Attendance:**
   - Committee Members Present - Cheryl Moss, Co-Chair; Mike Basham, Co-Chair; Scott Kalb, Secretary; Alison Ghiorse, RTM; Greg Addonizio, Aux Delices; Michael Wolpensinger, Greenwich Hospital; James Santaguida, Hauler | Committee Members Absent - Dan Ozizmir, RTM; Tom Conelias, RTM, Hauler; JR Mastro, Brunswick School; Angelo Pucci, Hauler | Guests - Julie DesChamps, Waste Free Greenwich; Sally Davies, GRAB; Myra Klockenbrink

3. **Approval of Minutes:**
   The minutes from the October 8 meeting were approved.

4. **Working Group Updates:**
   - Markets and Data: An analysis was presented on current trends in MSW and SSR tonnage, based on data received from the DPW, for the July-September period. Total MSW tonnage for the period is flat at 9,600 tons compared with previous years. However, tonnage of MSW hauled from Holly Hill declined by 30%, as about 3,500 tons of MSW has been diverted to Stamford where tipping fees are cheaper. Direct drop off of MSW at Holly Hill is up by 20% since July and is now 16% of total MSW. SSR tonnage increased by 20% or 700 tons during the period. However, direct drop-off of SSR at HH declined to 8% of total SSR, from 13% previously.
   - Collection Systems and Regulations: A list of waste experts has been formed and the committee is coordinating meetings for committee members during the next month.
   - Commercial and Non-Profits Data and Solutions: The committee agreed that it would be worthwhile to explore convenient and cost-efficient methods for businesses to separate food waste from MSW, and that scaling organic waste solutions holds promise.

5. **New Business:**
   A google drive was created for FSWMC members to share data, presentations, and reports.

6. **Next Meeting and Adjournment:**
   The next meeting of the FSWMC was set for 4:30PM on Tuesday, December 1.
   The meeting was adjourned at 5:30PM

Prepared by Scott Kalb, Secretary