



General Service Committee
Meeting Notes of March 2, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 8:18 a.m. by Lutke.

Present: Long, Lutke and Smith

Staff present: Larrea and Petroskey

Public comments

Sharon Sutterfield referred to and appreciated the letter in the packet written by Jack, a student, as well as Larrea's response. Relative to leaf pickup, Sutterfield suggests reducing the pickup of bagged clippings to one day a week. She further asked about opening the dump.

Water Filling Station – Letter from Mr. Anderson

Committee recommends the purchase of a water bottle filling station and place it at Water Wheel park by the clock tower. Long suggested inviting Jack and his classmates to fill the first bottle once it is installed.

Report VSB-2021-10 Fall or Spring Clean Up day

It was the consensus of committee to recommend to Council to move the Clean-up day to the fall. Committee recommends the change for the cleanup in the fall be clearly advertised and that Village residents understand they now have two opportunities to participate in clean-up; the spring clean-up available through Suttons Bay Township, and the fall clean-up available through the Village.

Report DPW-2021-11 Leaf Pick Up discussion

Committee discussed many factors and options surrounding leaf pick up. Some discussion points were: Staffing the dump on Fridays; requiring/providing the use of bio bags; reducing the number of pick-up days; and requiring the use of tarps. Staff concerns were time and costs; leaves in the streets and catch basins; and requiring the use of bags for yard clippings. Committee supports a more stream lined approach that is reasonable and will not sacrifice the service. Committee further recommends exploration of options and to continue the discussion. In addition to leaf pick up, the mowing process will need to be stream lined or the Village will need to consider a seasonal employee.

Public Comment

Sharon Sutterfield suggest language in the spring newsletter that emphasizes the chance for a repeat pickup in the fall.

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

Meeting notes submitted by Shar Fay, Village Clerk.

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