



TOWN OF ERIE

645 Holbrook Street
Erie, CO 80516

Meeting Minutes

Sustainability Advisory Board

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

6:00 PM

Board Room

STUDY SESSION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Erie Recycling Center Concerns
 - Secure existing recycle site to avoid night “dumping”
 - o Currently being handled by the town with a gate, security cameras and signage
 - Existing site needs to handle more volume in order to avoid recycled materials on the ground and the hauler not removing the bins
 - Existing site too small and service too limited to support continued residential growth of Erie
 - Existing site too small and service too limited to support the needs of construction or commercial recycling
 - Existing site location in floodplain
4. Adjourn

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
 - Keith Barr – Present
 - Anna Clark – Present
 - Tom Doyle – Present
 - Monali Mujumdar – Present
 - Jeff Percell – Present
 - Coady Skelley – Present
 - Nathaniel Wardwell – Absent

3. Public Comment

Ray Schlott 255 Meadoview Parkway gave comment

DeAndrea Ardnt 828 Lehigh Circle gave comment

4. Erie Recycling Center Concerns

Todd Fessenden, Director of Public Works and Raelynn Ferrera Facility & Special Projects Manager gave comments throughout the discussion

- Secure existing recycle site to avoid night “dumping”
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Town has had issues during peak times and more recently, businesses with a lot of cardboard taking up a lot of volume before residents can get there. It can become a safety hazard and liability. However, most frequently the town has had to shut down the site because of dumping. Waste Connections cannot/will not access the site if they have to move

waste to get to the bins.

The town has 2 quotes/bids for a rolling gate, similar to the one at the cemetery. They have another proposal for security cameras. Proposals should be within the next month and be in budget. They would then likely restrict hours to early morning to late evening.

- Existing site needs to handle more volume in order to avoid recycled materials on the ground and the hauler not removing the bins

We have a lot of new residents and people moving. We have had people M, W, F. We are having a lot of dumping. If it is a contaminated load it goes to landfill. There end up being different charges. Number of contaminated loads is going up.

- Existing site too small and service too limited to support continued residential growth of Erie

Recommendations that we open it up to recyclable material from builders and commercial. Perhaps expand – is more bins is sufficient? At what point is the physical location limited? We could likely add one more bin, but would also need to add the walk way and a concrete pad. There are concerns of expanding in the current location because it's in the floodplain.

Need to answer the question of whether we want to provide this as a service. Need to better understand the need/desire of this as a service vs curbside. The town has been reluctant to offer large scale composting, as there are lots of issues such as Emerald Ashborer. There is also the Fall & Spring cleanup days which are a similar service.

- Existing site too small and service too limited to support the needs of construction or commercial recycling

The town could look into the cost of adding 2 more bins. They would probably need to meet with a consultant and ask for a further recommendation. Possibly add capacity during "peak times" either November-January or perhaps with more frequent pick ups.

- Existing site location in floodplain

The town owns property throughout town and the GIS folks could look for options. One idea would be to do it at/by the landfill.

5. Adjourn