



Town of Simsbury

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

1. **Title of submission:** Approval of Amendments to Recycling Ordinance
2. **Date of submission:** August 7, 2013
3. **Date of Board Meeting:** August 12, 2013

4. **Individual or Entity making the submission:**

Thomas F. Cooke – Director of Administrative Services
Richard L. Sawitzke – Town Engineer/Director of Capital Projects
Thomas F. Cooke – Director of Administrative Services

5. **Action requested of the Board of Selectmen (Acceptance of gift, creation of reserve, approval of contract, information only, etc. Be as specific as possible with respect to the desired action of the Board.):**

The Individual or Entity making the submission requests that the Board of Selectmen:

After Public Hearing, approve the proposed Amendments to Simsbury Code of Ordinances, Chapter 133, Article II, Storage, Collection and Disposal of Recyclable Materials

6. **Individual(s) responsible for submission (Please include complete contact information. The identified individual(s) should be prepared to present information to the Board of Selectmen at the Board Meeting.):**

Thomas J. Roy – Director of Public Works – (860) 658-3222
Richard L. Sawitzke – Town Engineer/Director of Capital Projects – (860) 658-3260
Thomas F. Cooke – Director of Administrative Services – (860) 658-3230

7. **Summary of Submission** (Include in your summary (i) relevant dates and timelines; (ii) parties involved; (iii) a description of financial terms and conditions specifically identifying the financial exposure/commitment of the Town of Simsbury; (iv) whether or not contracts, licenses and other legal documents have been reviewed by the Town's counsel; and (v) other information that will inform the Board of Selectmen's consideration of your submission. Include any additional information in an attached memorandum.):

At its meeting on July 8, 2013 the Board of Selectmen set the proposed amendments for public hearing on August 12, 2013. Public hearing was held prior to the Board's consideration of this submission.

As noted in Tom Roy's memorandum to the Board of Selectmen dated January 10, 2013, with the end of required use of CRRRA for recycling the Town of Simsbury undertook a study to determine the best possible course of action for handling the Town's recyclable materials. Working with MSW Consultants, the Department of Public Works concluded that using our local waste haulers "will net the same revenue and . . . provide a financial incentive for our local haulers to promote and improve our residential recycling rate."

Based on this conclusion Town Staff, working with Town Counsel, prepared proposed amendments to the Town's recycling ordinance (Sections 133-12 through 133-22 and 133-27 of Chapter 133, Article II of the Code of Ordinances) which:

- Eliminate outdated language requiring that all recyclable materials be delivered to CRRRA; and
- Include a new requirement for recycling collectors (trash haulers) to register with the Town of Simsbury.

Upon approval of the proposed amendments, Town staff will prepare proposed terms and conditions for the registration of recycling collectors for review and approval by the Board of Selectmen. The proposed terms and conditions shall include a set annual fee for the registration based on the number of tons of recyclable materials collected.

As noted in Mr. Roy's memorandum dated July 3, 2013 the Recycling Committee and the Town's local trash/recycling collectors were asked to review and comment on the revised ordinance, which is attached.

8. **Description of documents included with submission** (All documents must be in final form and signed by the appropriate party.):

The following documents are included with this submission and attached hereto:

Public Hearing Notice