

EAST LYME BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2016
MINUTES

PRESENT: Mark Nickerson, Kevin Seery, Marc Salerno, Holly Cheeseman, Rose Ann Hardy,
Dan Cunningham.

Mr. Nickerson called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. and noted that the Pledge had been recited during the Special Town Meeting held previously.

FILED

1b. Additional Agenda & Consent Calendar Items
There were none.

Sept 8 2016 AT 1:40 AM (PM)
Kevin Yulko, Clerk
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

1c. Delegations

Ron Rando of 194 Boston Post Road suggested that the SCRRRA item be postponed to enable the public to review the contract. He added that there is a very bad drug problem in town and a good friend of his had been threatened for calling the police. He suggested more police action was needed and possibly use of cameras would help. He inquired about a lawsuit the town had about a woman who bought a piece of land in town and then was told she couldn't build on it. She won in court and now he believes there is an appeal and he would like to know the money this has cost. He said that he was on the Board of Selectmen when the first SCRRRA contract was signed and after 25 years of taking trash there, the town still does not own anything and has no recourse if they shut down. He added that his daughter had a fire in her house and because of town personnel; it is taking forever to rebuild.

Mike Schulz of Lovers Lane reviewed a May 6, 2016 news clipping regarding Senate Bill 202 which would allow the municipal allowance for military service to receive up to \$15,000 in tax exemption. He asked that this be checked to see if it passed and to see if the Assessor would apply it. He added that the drug activity in town is significant and if anyone had been held accountable for the death of Holly Lombardi.

John Drabik of 18 Drabik Road noted that Mr. Rando had inquired about the boat 3 times and should get an answer.

1d. Approval of Minutes, Meeting of August 3, 2016

MOTION (1)

Mr. Seery moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 3, 2016 as submitted.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

1e. Consent Calendar

MOTION (2)

Mr. Seery moved to approve the Consent Calendar for the meeting of September 7, 2016 in the amount of \$5403.36.

Seconded by Ms. Hardy. Motion passed 6-0.

2a. Discussion / Possible Action – MSA Extension between SCRRRA and the Town of East Lyme

Executive Director Dave Aldridge of Southeastern Connecticut Regional Resource Recovery Authority was present and reviewed a power point presentation (identified and included with these minutes as Attachment A.)

Mr. Aldridge also reviewed the benefits of extending our membership with SCRRRA (Attachment B). He stressed that SCRRRA's tipping fee is the lowest in the State.

Mr. Nickerson noted that he would have our Town Attorney review the contract.

2b. Checking of the Indices

MOTION (3)

Mr. Seery moved to appoint Attorney William Willetts Jr. of 216 Broad Street, New London, CT to examine the indices of the land records for calendar year 2016 in accordance with CGS Section 7-14 for the sum of \$2000.

Seconded by Ms. Cheeseman. Motion passed 6-0.

2c. Certified Resolution – Brownfields

Deputy Director of Public Works Bill Scheer noted that the State required this resolution from the Board for the 224 Main Street property.

MOTION (4)

Mr. Seery moved the following:

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.G.S. Sec. 32-763 the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development is authorized to extend financial assistance for economic development projects; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of East Lyme make an application to the State for \$200,000 in order to undertake the East Lyme Brownfield Site Assessment Grant 224 Main Street, Niantic, CT and to execute an Assistance Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE East Lyme Board of Selectmen

1. That it is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for the state financial assistance imposed by CGS Sec. 32-763
2. That the filing of an application for State financial assistance by the Town of East Lyme in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 is hereby approved and that Mark C. Nickerson, First Selectman, is directed to execute and file such application with the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, to provide such additional information, to execute such other documents as may be required, to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such

an agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, decisions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of The Town of East Lyme.

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

2d. Special Appropriation – Brownfields

Mr. Scheer noted that the Town of East Lyme purchased the property at 224 Main Street after completing Phase I and Phase II environmental studies. The area under the existing building and a magnetic anomaly were not completely investigated. The \$200,000 Brownfield assessment grant will fund the removal of the building and an environmental investigation of the areas in question to determine if any remediation is required. The grant will also fund preparation of a plan to perform remediation if necessary. The State of Connecticut has approved Weston and Sampson Inc. Engineers to assist the Town during this process.

MOTION (5)

Mr. Seery moved to appropriate a \$200,000 Brownfield Assessment grant to complete an environmental assessment of 224 Main Street, remove the building as part of this assessment, and to develop plans and cost estimates associated with any remediation necessary and the ultimate reuse of the property.

<Note : This requires a Town Meeting>

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

2e. Sign Call – Special Town Meeting 9/21/16

MOTION (6)

Mr. Seery moved the following:

TOWN OF EAST LYME
NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Notice is hereby given of a Special Town Meeting of the Town of East Lyme to be held on September 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. (E.D.T.) at the East Lyme Town Hall Upper Meeting Room for the following purposes:

1. Special Appropriation in the amount of \$200,000 for a Brownsfield Assessment Grant to complete an environmental assessment of 224 Main Street; remove the building and develop plans and cost estimates associated with any remediation necessary and the ultimate reuse of the property.

Dated 9/7/16

EAST LYME BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Seconded by Mr. Salerno. Motion passed 6-0.

2f. Executive Session

MOTION (7)

Mr. Seery moved to enter into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Contract Negotiations and to invite Finance Director Anna Johnson to attend as appropriate.

Move to return to regular session at 8:35 p.m. with no action taken during Executive Session.

Seconded by Ms. Cheeseman. Motion passed 6-0.

2g. Approve Dispatcher Contract 7/1/16 – 6/30/19

MOTION (8)

MR. Seery moved to approve the Dispatchers Contract commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019

Seconded by Ms. Hardy. Motion passed 6-0.

2h. Resolution Authorizing First Selectman to Sign Grant Applications for 2016/17

MOTION (9)

Mr. Seery moved the following:

Resolved, that Mark C. Nickerson, First Selectman of the Town of East Lyme, CT, is hereby authorized and directed to sign all grant applications and execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Town of East Lyme for FY 2016/17, and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including but not limited to executing and delivering all applications contemplated by such documents.

Seconded by Ms. Cheeseman. Motion passed 6-0.

5a. Ex-Officio

Mr. Cunningham noted that there would be an upcoming bicycle race to benefit the Samuel Smith House, the Smith Harris House and the Historical Society on October 1, 2016. He added that he attended the Waterford East Lyme Shellfish meeting and there were some questions about the potential dredging of the river in the future and where they would dump the dredged material.

Ms. Cheeseman noted that she attended the Zoning meeting and there were two items that went to public hearing: proposed text amendment to no longer make it necessary for repeat applicants to erect a sign noticing an outdoor dining permit was being sought. This was approved. The second public hearing was for a text amendment for bees to be added to the section regarding animals being raised for agricultural purposes. This was withdrawn and new verbiage would be created for a better way to allow the keeping of bees in East Lyme.

Mr. Salerno noted that there was no Harbor Management meeting due to a lack of quorum. He said he attended the special meeting of the Inland Wetlands where they discussed East Society Road and the millings that the Town had placed on an unpaved area. He added that these millings had washed out and the town had fixed the area. He also attended two elementary design meetings for the elementary schools and added that they do plan to meet next June's deadline.

Mr. Seery attended the Planning meeting where there were no action items. There was an alternate appointment for Mr. Arias's vacated position. He added that Mr. Goeschel offered an update on JLUS. He said that the Parks and Recreation department has been extremely busy this summer and parking capacity was reached on July 4th and on Celebrate East Lyme Day. He noted that the band shell would be relocated adjacent to the pavilion.

5. First Selectman's Report

Mr. Nickerson noted that the Town has received and successfully defended many FOI complaints at a huge financial burden to the taxpayer. He added that the Town prevailed on the Election complaint. He said that he took a boat ride with the new Port Authority Commissioner Scott Bates. He added that Friday night had been the last night for Music feeding Music at Protek. He said that over a ten year period, they had raised approximately \$22,000 in donations which they had given to area school music programs. He said that the Parks and Recreation department is hosting Movie Nights on Friday nights at McCooks. He noted that there had been a meeting with him, Montville and Waterford First Selectmen, and Corrigan personnel regarding a dog pound. He commented that the old police boat had been sold. It had a hole in the bottom of it and had been posted in the area marinas for sale. One of the marinas had offered \$5000 and a gentleman from Stonington offered \$8500 and it was sold to him. He agreed that there is a big drug problem and that he was working with the schools, police and emergency services to make a difference. He noted that a parcel of land was sold at tax auction which had been identified as open space. The buyer has been trying to build on this parcel, even though when she purchased it, she was informed it was not a building lot. He said that the Town has lost the first court case and the town is appealing. He said that this is very important to the town because it would be precedent setting.

Mr. Salerno said that Romagna Way looks good and Ms. Cheeseman added that the Children's Museum is still looking for accommodations.

MOTION (10)

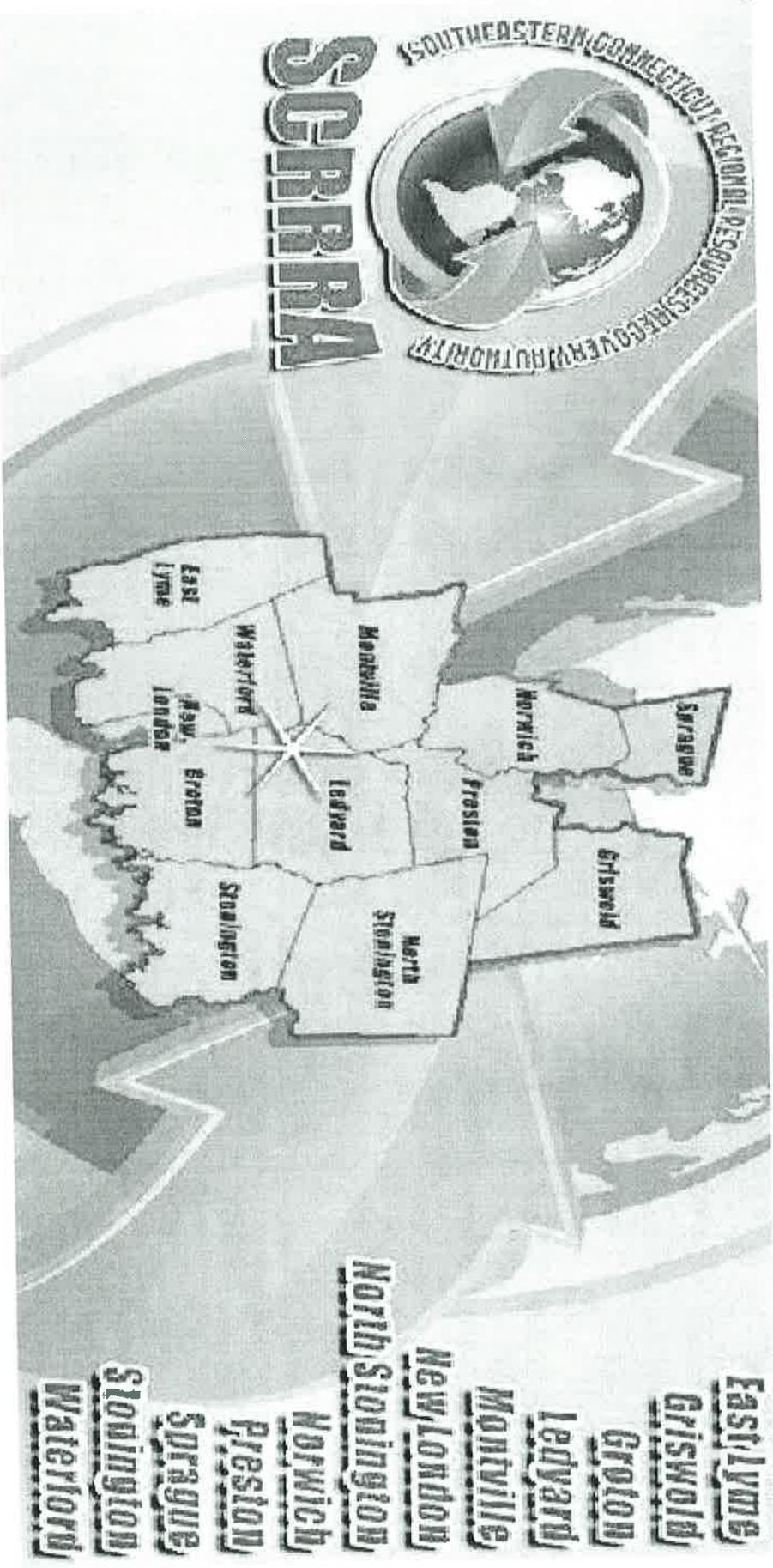
Mr. Seery moved to adjourn the September 7, 2016 meeting at 9:00 p.m.

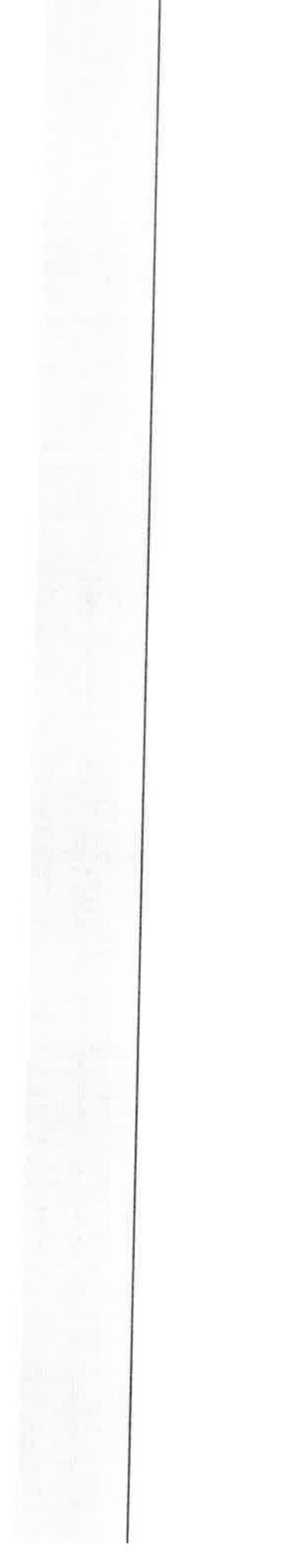
Seconded by Ms. Cheeseman. Motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene C. Stevens, Recording Secretary

Attachment A





SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT REGIONAL
RESOURCE RECOVERY AUTHORITY (SCRRA)

AND

THE TOWN OF EAST LYME

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL PLAN FOR SOUTHEASTERN
CONNECTICUT



David Aldridge
Executive Director

Rebecca Chapman
Operations Administrator & Outreach
Coordinator

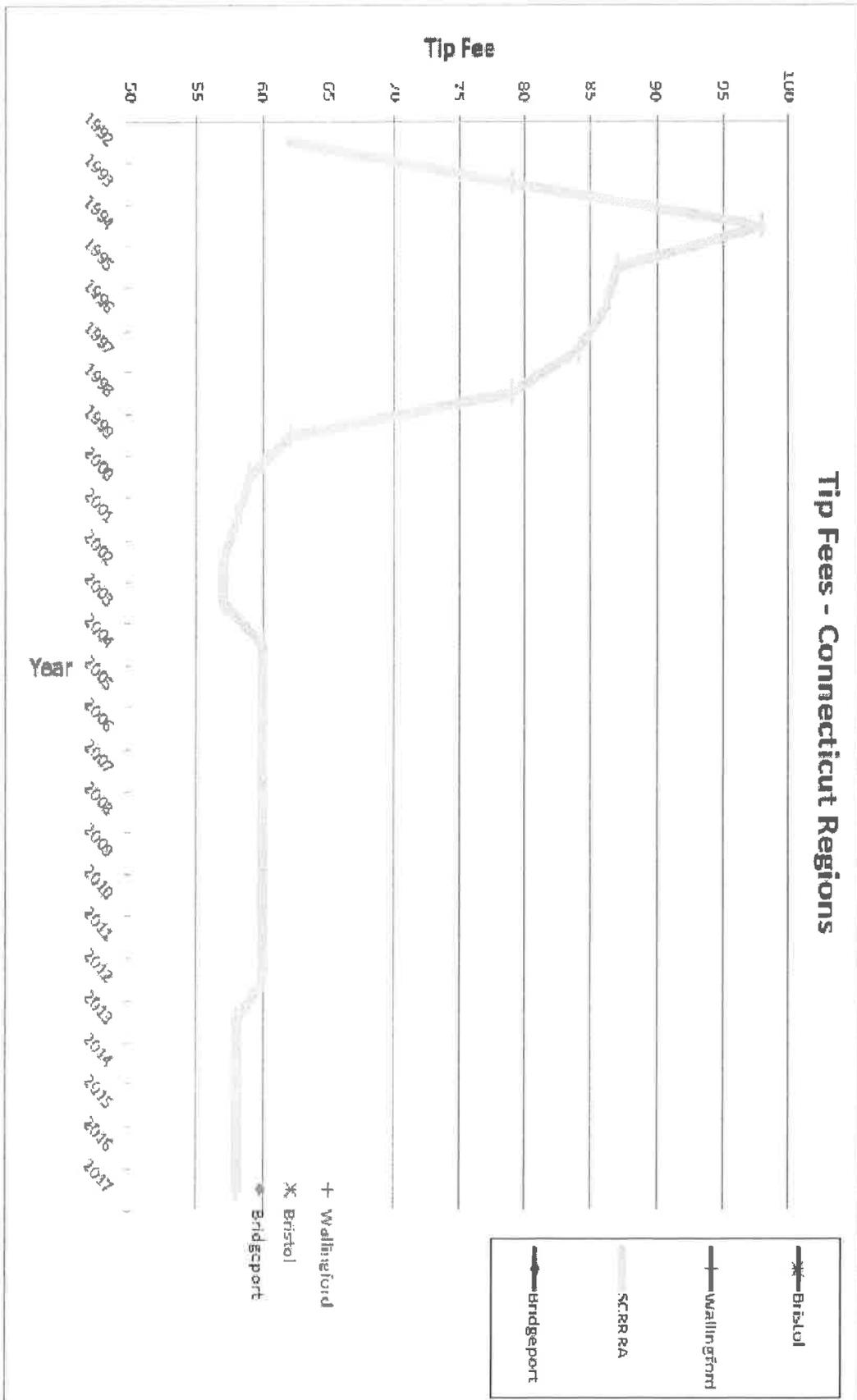


Reason for today's Presentation

History of SCRRRA

- ▶ Formed in 1985
- ▶ The Waste To Energy (WTE) facility became operational in February 1992
- ▶ Processed 700 tons of Municipal Solid waste daily producing 18 Megawatts of electricity annually

Tip Fees - Connecticut Regions



SCRRRA 2016 Transfer Station Support

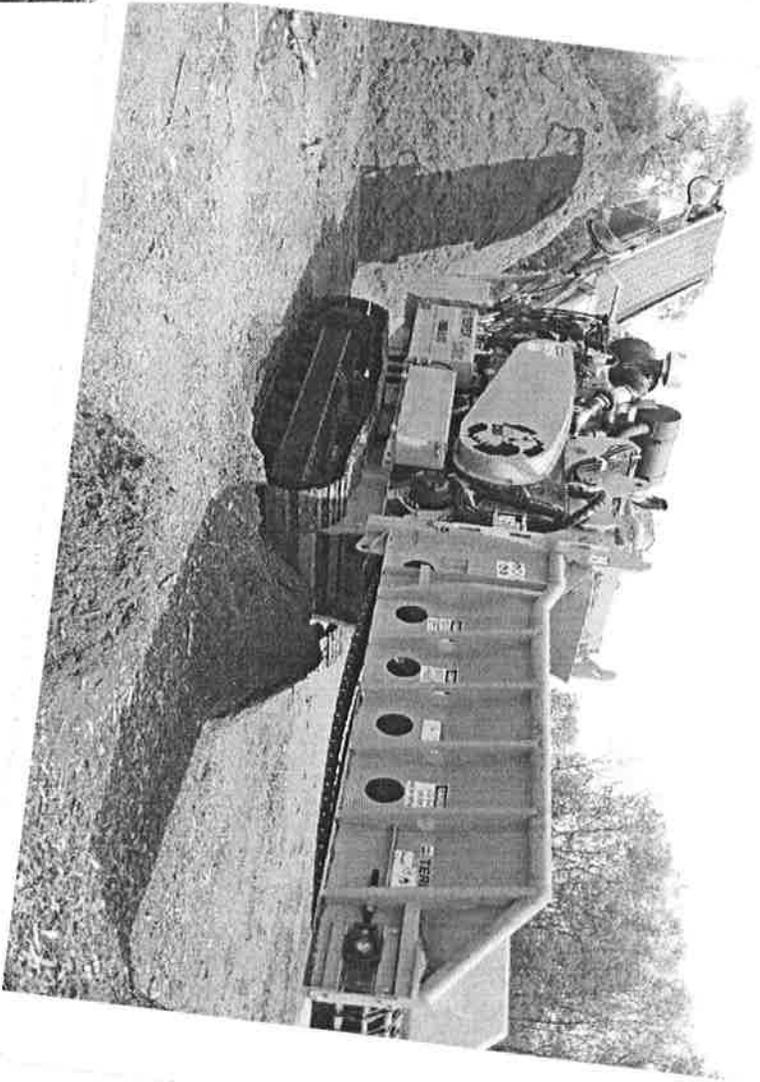
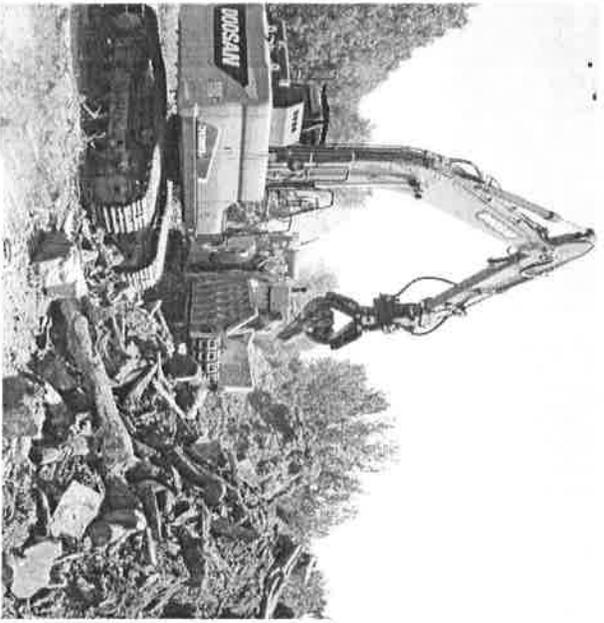
| Commodity | Quantity |
|---|-------------|
| Tires | 10,609 |
| Fluorescent Bulbs | 14.19 tons |
| Electronic Waste | 673.46 tons |
| Freon | 4,555 |
| Oil & Antifreeze (Gallons) | 6,936 |
| Oil Filters, Oily Debris (55 Gal Drums) | 7 |
| Wood Grinder Service | |
| Propane Tanks | 10.12 tons |
| Mattresses | 8,547 |



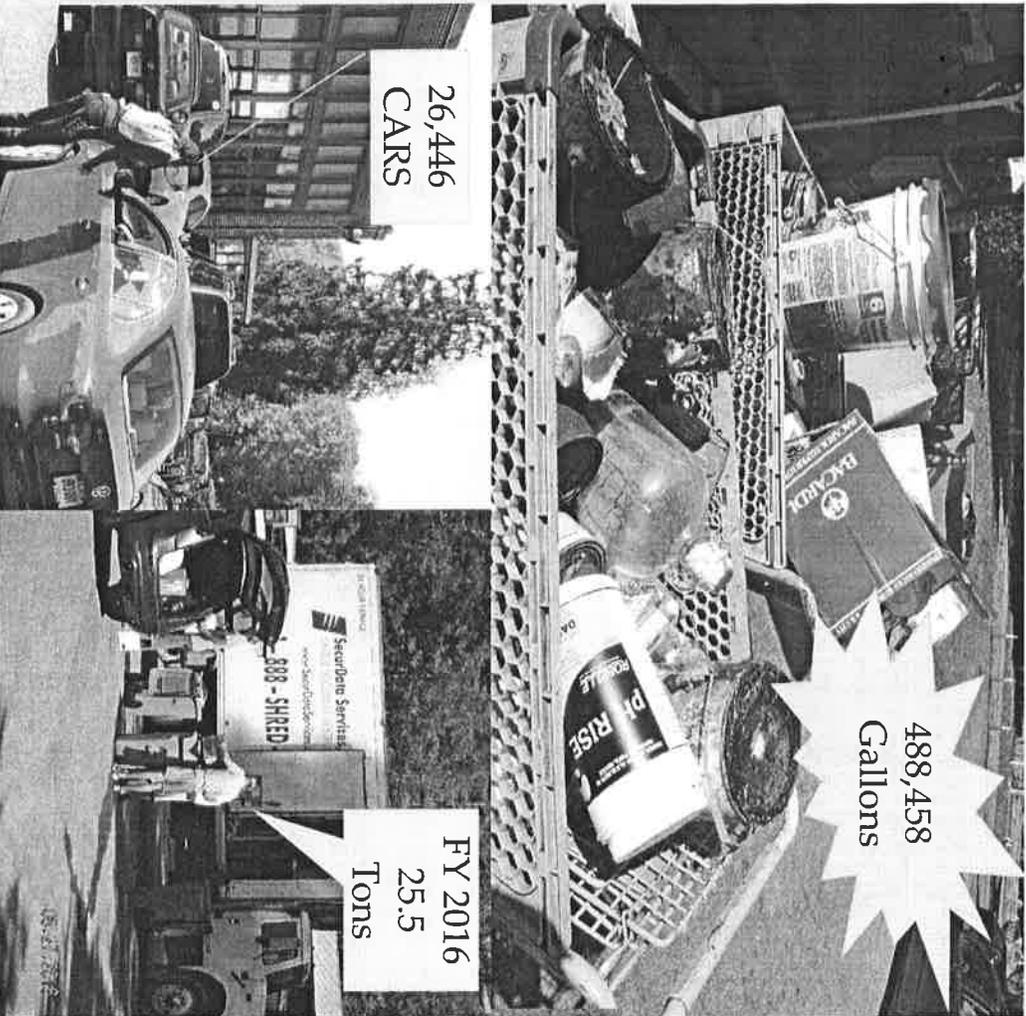
Product Stewardship Council

- Paint Program 07/2013
- Mattress Program – 05/2015

Wood Grinding Service



Household Hazardous Waste Collections



26,446
CARS

488,458
Gallons

FY 2016
25.5
Tons

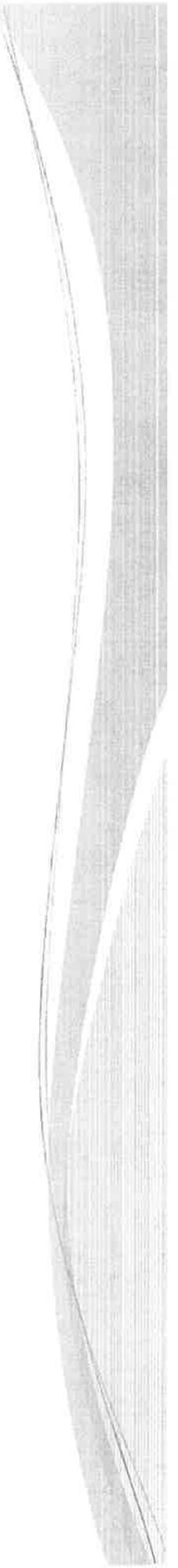


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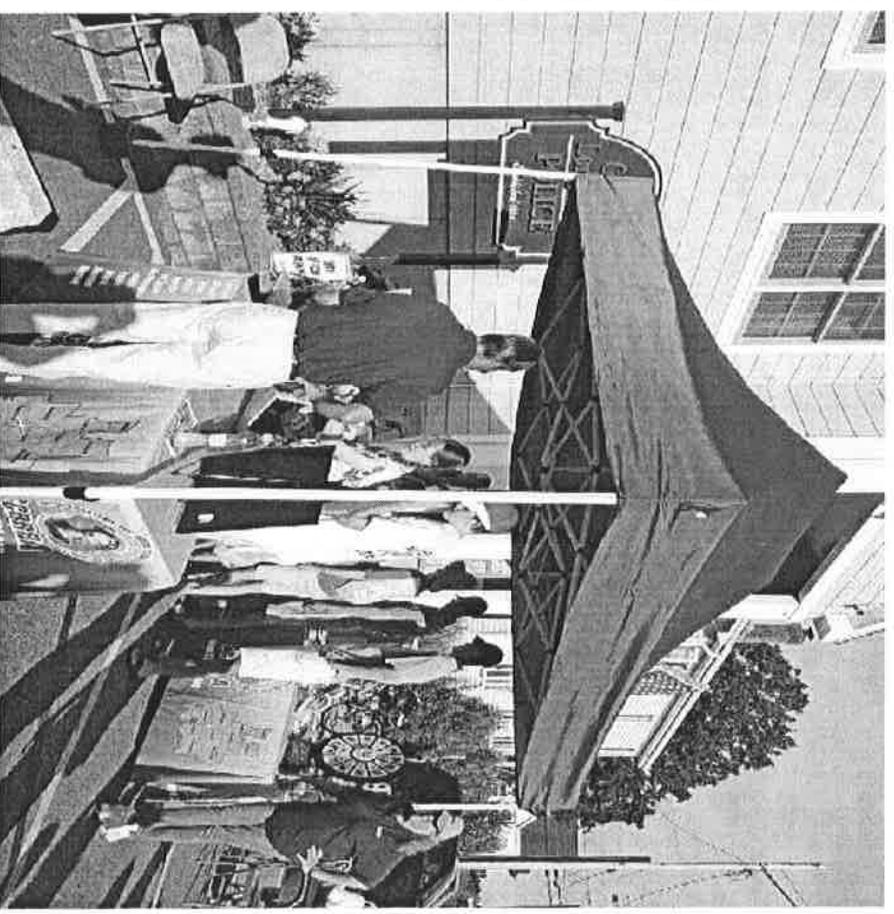
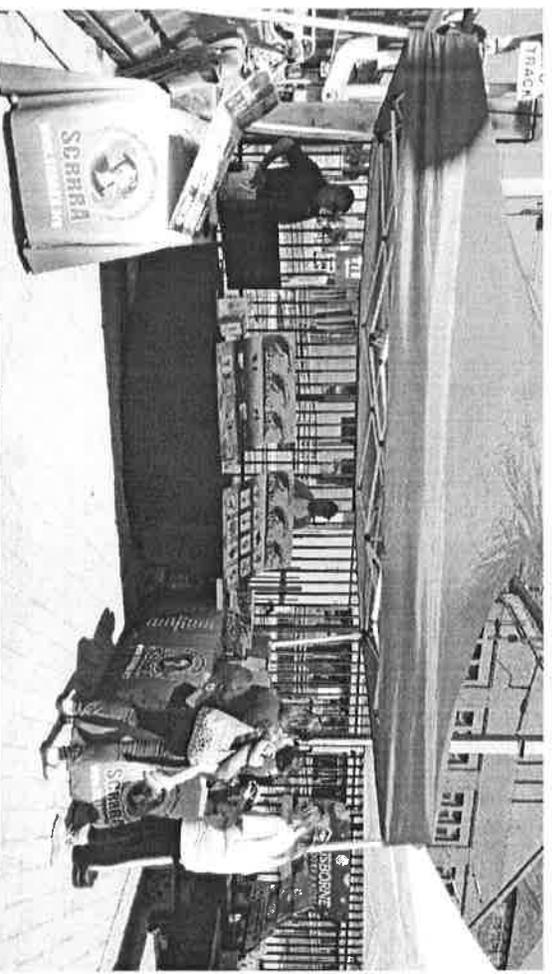
Household Hazardous Waste Collections

Town of East Lyme

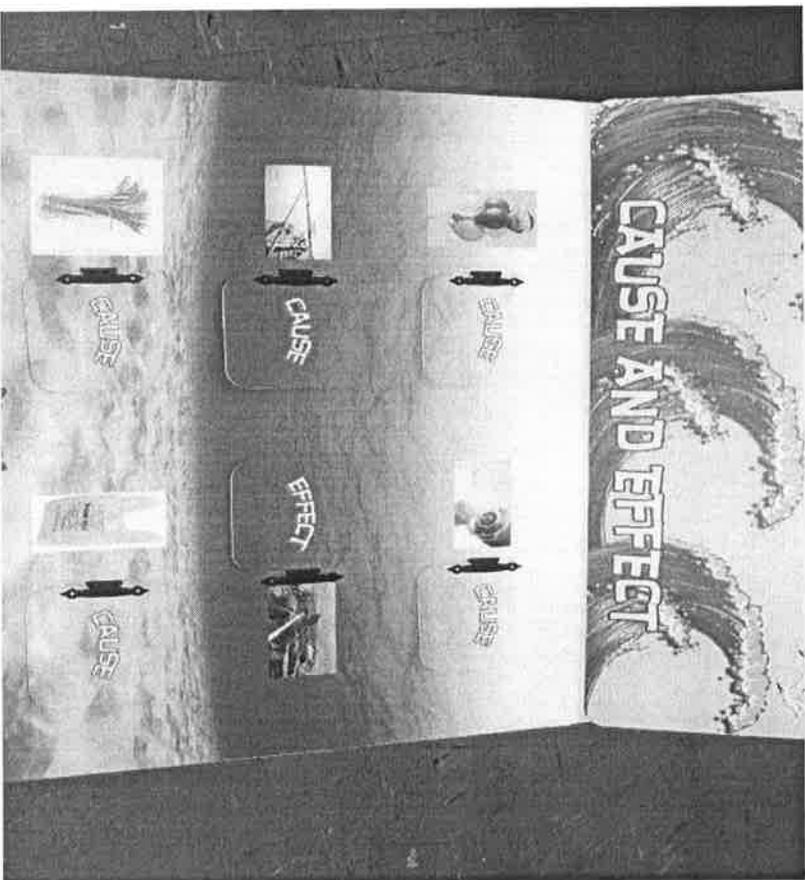
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|---------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Household Hazardous Collections | 366 | | \$18,349 | \$183,490 |
| Municipal Hazardous Collections | | | \$2,130 | \$21,300 |
| Total | | | \$20,479 | \$204,790 |

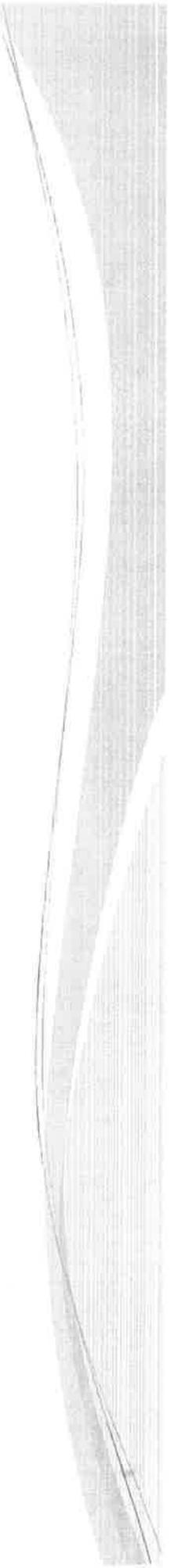


Outreach Programs



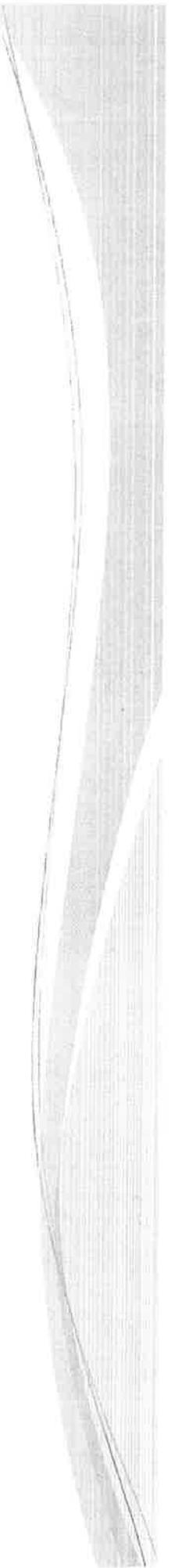
SCRRRA Inter-Active Boards





· SCRRRA Inter-Active Board & Jeopardy Game





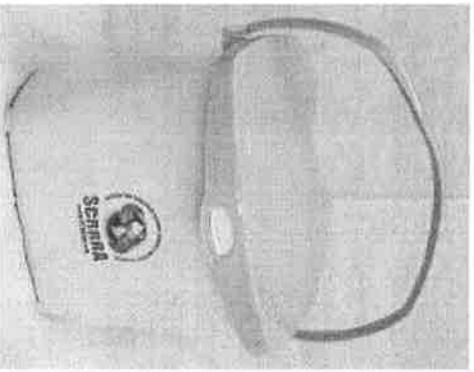
Coastal Clean Up Programs



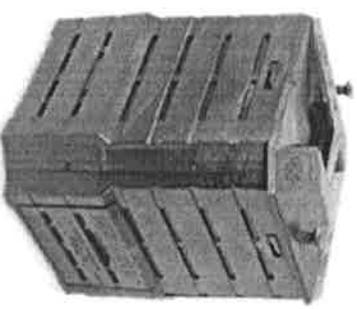
SCRRA Educational Outreach

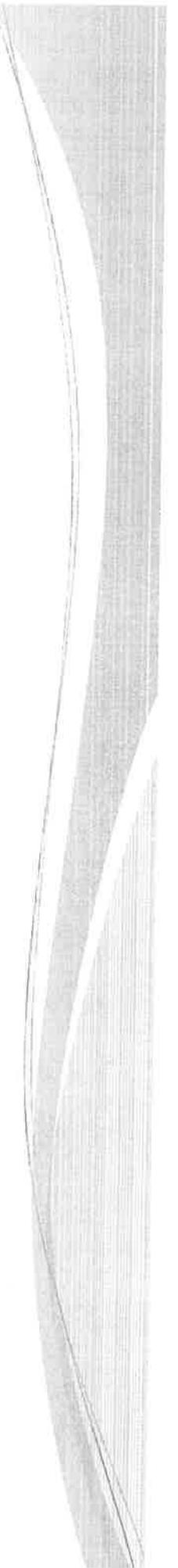
| | Total for Classes / Expo Events | Mystic Aquarium | Total |
|---------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| FY 2016 | 2724 | 5000 | 7724 |
| FY 2015 | 2817 | 13104 | 15921 |
| FY 2014 | 1177 | 25513 | 26690 |

Composting



Compost bins & pails are sold to the Authority residents.



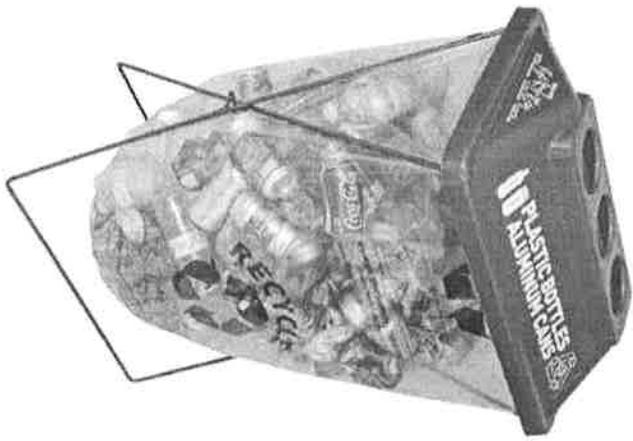


Clear Steam Recycling Containers & Bags

Provided to Authority Towns at NO COST

Some of the Activities

- North Stonington Fair
- Ledyard Fair
- Ledyard Parks & Rec
- Taste of Mystic
- Mystic Arts
- Norwich City Fair
- Montville Carnival
- Montville Youth Football Jamboree
- Flanders School





SCRRRA TO ASSIST TOWNS

State of Connecticut – DEHP

Comprehensive Material Management Strategy
Requirements



SCRRA

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| Fluorescent Bulbs | | 14.19 | \$6,527 | \$65,270 |
| Electronic Waste | | 673.45 | \$430,421 | \$4,304,210 |
| Freon | 4,555 | | \$27,330 | \$273,300 |
| Oil & Antifreeze (Gallons) | 6,936 | | \$5,583 | \$55,830 |
| Oil Filters, Oily Debris (55 Gal Drums) | 7 | | \$865 | \$8,650 |
| Wood Grinder Service | | | \$246,319 | \$2,463,188 |
| Propane Tanks | | 10.12 | \$1,809 | \$18,090 |
| Mattresses | 8,547 | | \$50,513 | \$505,128 |
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Town of East Lyme

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| Wood Grinder Service | | | \$35,765 | \$357,650 |
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Overview

❖ Ten Year Term

❖ Benefit of the SCRRRA Tipping Fee

❖ Benefit of SCRRRA Ancillary Services

❖ Elimination of Minimum Commitment

❖ Debt Free

❖ Unencumbered by inter-authority agreements



Questions & Answers

Southeastern Connecticut Regional Resources Recovery Authority (SCRRRA)

Solid Waste Disposal Plan for Southeastern Connecticut

Extending its membership with SCRRRA provides the Town of East Lyme with these Benefits:

1. Price Stability:

SCRRRA has provided its member communities with a stable tipping fee at or below \$60 for 16 consecutive years and currently enjoys the most favorable rate in the state. By extending the MSA East Lyme will continue to receive the benefit of SCRRRA' subsidized rate. Additionally, East Lyme will continue to have a local place to deliver its garbage utilizing its existing delivery resources.

2. Value of services (at no additional cost):

In the last year SCRRRA has provided services to the Town of East Lyme with the following direct economic benefit:

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| Transfer Station Support - \$49,293 | Hazardous Household Waste Collection - \$18,349 |
| Wood Grinding Service - \$35,765 | Municipal Hazardous Waste Collection - \$ 2,130 |

3. Regionalized Benefits:

Removed from the waste stream and included in the tip fee:

- Grinding of green waste, producing mulch for public works departments and citizenry.
- Annual hazardous material collection for residents.
- Semi-Annual hazardous material collection for municipal government operations and schools.
- Removal and processing of tires, recycling of fluorescent bulbs, Freon, oil, oil filters, oily debris, antifreeze, propane tanks, mattresses, paint and electronics.
- In addition: Programs for schools and youth organizations that focus on recycling, marine debris and environmental stewardship.
- Recycling program coordination, negotiation, at cost sale of composting equipment.
- Clear Stream Recycling Containers for events.
- Representation of the Southeast region at the State Legislature, Department of Energy & Environment.
- Assisting towns in meeting requirement of the State Comprehensive Material Management Strategy requirements.
- SCRRRA fulfills town's statutory responsibility for municipal solid waste planning (22a-227).

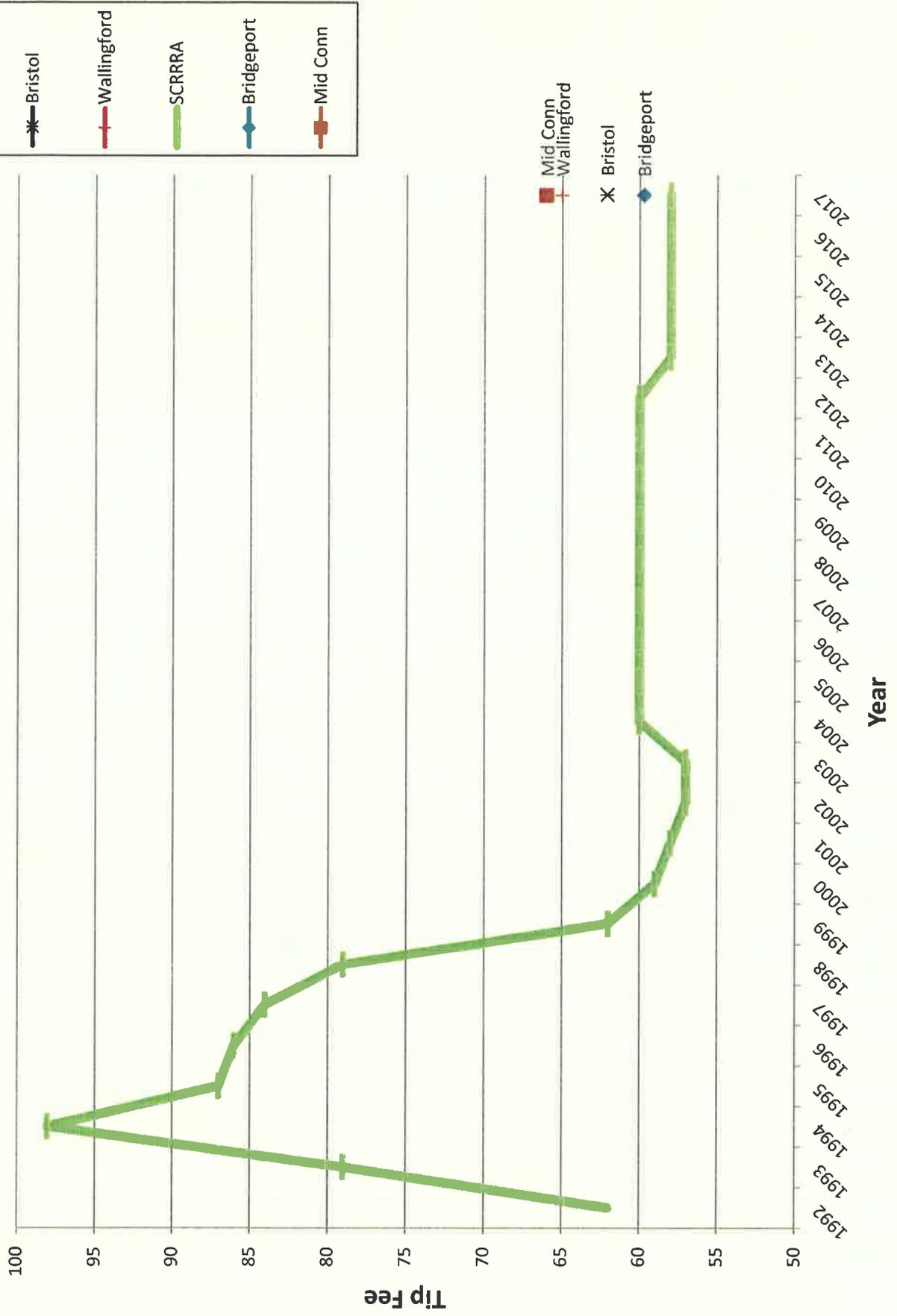
Contractual Timeline:

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| Nov 1985 | Municipal agreements (MSA) are executed; Contract signed with operating company; 30 year Bonds were issued. |
| Feb 1992 | Plant begins operation; 25-year power purchase agreement with CL&P goes into effect. |
| Dec 2012 | Extension of MSA's to Feb 2017. |
| Jan 2013 | SCRRRA begins negotiation of new service contract with Operating Company. |
| Nov 2015 | SCRRRA Bonds are retired, power purchase agreement continues for 15 months, the contract with service provider extends to Feb 2017. |
| Feb 2017 | Purchase power agreement expires, market rate goes into effect, and renegotiated service contract begins. |

Next Step for East Lyme:

Execute contract extension to February 2027 - **Due Date: December 2016.**

Tip Fees - Connecticut Regions





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