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## HOUSATONIC RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY

### Workshop Meeting Minutes

#### Let's Talk Trash Municipal Listening Session

with DEEP Deputy Commissioner Macky McCleary

Tuesday, April 22, 2014, 12:30 p.m.

WCSU Science Building, Room 263

181 White Street, Danbury, CT

#### Members or Alternates Present

Bethel, Rich Straiton	8
New Fairfield, Mike Gill	6
New Milford, Suzanne Von Holt	12
Redding, Larry Kulowiec	4
Ridgefield, Rudy Marconi	11

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#### Others Present:

Macky McCleary, DEEP Deputy Comm.  
Robert Isner, DEEP  
Gabrielle Frigon, DEEP  
Eric Frederickson, All American Waste  
Lynn Waller, Public  
Roslyn Reeps, DEEP  
Bill Mayers, New Milford Hwy Supervisor  
Cheryl Reedy, HRRRA  
Jen Iannucci, HRRRA  
Amanda Cordano, Ridgefield Parent

#### Members Not Present

Brookfield, Bridgewater, Danbury, Kent, Newtown and Sherman

**Call to Order:** Chairman Gill did not call a meeting to order because there was no quorum present.

Deputy Commissioner McCleary made a presentation to the group on the future of solid waste in the state of Connecticut and some of the features of SB 27, the Governor's recycling bill. Then he opened the floor to questions and answers, concerns, etc. The topics discussed for the next hour and a half included:

- challenges to and future of waste to energy in the state
- creation of RecycleCT Foundation as a mechanism to raise funds to distribute to municipalities and regions to improve recycling
- what regionalizing solid waste and recycling means in the context of SB 27
- challenges with permitting additional transfer stations in the region
- challenges of unit-based pricing in a 100% private subscription service region
- leakage of waste to out of state facilities and CRRA's Watertown transfer station
- state's plan for changing CRRA
- lost opportunities for revenue - escheats
- how would the region use revenue that came from the state