

**TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Public Comment Session**  
**August 9, 2005**  
**7:00 p.m.**

Mayor Frank Lewis called the Public Comment Session to order at approximately 7:00. In addition to the Mayor, Council members Sullivan, Brown, Davis, and Veber were present; absent was Councilman Evans. Also in attendance were Town Manager, Tim Krawczel, Town Clerk, Joy Pelletier, approximately 5 additional staff members and approximately 6 members of the public.

The purpose of the meeting was to here comment on the new contract with Davis Disposal for waste disposal. The new contract called for an increase in monthly fees for residential trash pickup from \$11.00 per month to \$12.50 per month.

Mayor Lewis opened the session by briefly explaining the increased fees and the reasoning behind increasing the fees.

**Public Comment**

Melvin Dudley asked for illumination on the increase in residential trash pick up. He asked what caused the rate to increase if the contract fee was to remain consistent with the old contract and why some of the "town clean-up" is not covered by tax income.

Mayor Lewis, Town Manager Tim Krawczel and Public Works Director Mike Cosby all responded; i.e., not only must we cover the cost of purchasing the 90 gallon trash containers, but we also haul brush, trash and debris from the beach, waste from the public trash receptacles, etc. Dumping this waste at the land fill incurs the cost of the tipping fee which must be covered under the waste collection fund which is an enterprise fund that must pay for itself. Monies from the General Fund may not be co-mingled with an enterprise fund. It was suggested by a Councilman Brown that the Town look into purchasing a shredder to shred the brush collected, reducing the number of trips to the land fill; therefore, reducing the tipping fees.

**Motion made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Veber to adjourn the Public Comment Session.**

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Mayor

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Town Clerk