

## **Executive Committee Report**

The NEKWMD finished 2013 in solid financial condition. Recycling markets were fair to good throughout the year. Stronger than expected revenues for recycling, scrap metal, and the surcharge on trash allowed us to end the year with a surplus of \$49,302.46. Spending for the year was \$7,014 more than budgeted, while revenues exceeded projections by over \$56,317. The sale of recyclables generated \$158,072 in revenues for 2013. That figure represents approximately 25% of the 2013 budget. While strong recycling markets were responsible for some of the excess revenue, surcharge revenues exceeded projections by \$38,069.

The NEKWMD is entering 2014 with a proposed budget of \$694,978 - an increase of 2.2%. However, due to the addition of several towns over the last 2 years, the surcharge on non-recycled waste (trash) will drop \$0.55 per ton to \$22.00 per ton in 2014. Our surcharge on trash remains just below the State average.

The District welcomed the town of Topsham in 2013. We continue to serve the largest geographical area and largest number of towns (49) in the State. Our population served is 3<sup>rd</sup> in the state behind only Chittenden Solid Waste District and the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District.

The Vermont legislature passed Act 148 early in 2012. This piece of legislation includes, among other things, mandatory pay-as-you-throw for trash disposal and phased-in landfill bans for certain recyclables, leaf and yard wastes, and source separated organics. In 2014 the NEKWMD will be looking to assist our members in complying with the provisions of Act 148, strengthen outreach to businesses and seasonal residents, and promote greater participation in recycling programs throughout the Northeast Kingdom.

The NEKWMD was staffed by nine full-time and two part-time employees in 2013. Each of the member Towns is entitled to representation by at least one Supervisor. The Board of Supervisors is the principal authority over the NEKWMD and the primary means of contact with the member towns. The Board of Supervisors meets monthly and sets the direction of NEKWMD policy. The member Towns are also represented through their ability to vote on the NEKWMD budget at their Town Meeting in March.

Since fees for NEKWMD membership (the surcharge on trash of \$22.00/ton) are based on the amount of waste produced, members have a clear opportunity to control their waste management costs. Costs can decrease as waste generation rates decrease and recycling rates increase.

The 50,500 residents of 49 Towns throughout the Northeast Kingdom can be assured that the NEKWMD will continue to address their waste management concerns in a timely and environmentally sound fashion.

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2014 Proposed Budget  
NEK Waste Management District

BUDGET ITEM	2013 BUDGET	2013 ACTUAL thru 12/31/13	2014 PROPOSED BUDGET	2013-2014 % Change
<b>ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES</b>				
Advertising	\$750.00	\$1,703.90	\$1,000.00	33%
Audit -- Financial	\$3,200.00	\$6,700.00	\$3,400.00	6%
Audit -- Waste Haulers	\$5,000.00	\$5,766.50	\$6,000.00	20%
Bank Charges	\$50.00	\$49.57	\$0.00	-100%
Books & Subscriptions	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	0%
Cleaning	\$1,680.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,700.00	1%
Copier	\$1,550.00	\$1,285.99	\$2,000.00	29%
Dues/Permits/Fees/Penalties	\$2,500.00	\$3,049.84	\$2,700.00	8%
Heating Fuel	\$2,000.00	\$866.94	\$2,000.00	0%
Liability & Casualty & Emp. Prac.	\$13,000.00	\$16,845.00	\$14,621.00	12%
Planning	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	150%
Legal Fees	\$1,000.00	\$5,815.59	\$6,000.00	500%
Postage	\$2,100.00	\$2,211.18	\$1,500.00	-29%
Office Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$4,807.26	\$2,500.00	0%
Telephone - Office	\$3,300.00	\$2,770.78	\$3,000.00	-9%
Water/Sewer	\$1,900.00	\$946.47	\$1,500.00	-21%
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$42,655.00</b>	<b>\$54,619.02</b>	<b>\$53,046.00</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>BUILDING EXPENSES</b>				
Improvements	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	0%
Electricity	\$8,500.00	\$7,217.71	\$8,500.00	0%
Maintenance	\$3,000.00	\$650.97	\$2,000.00	-33%
Misc. Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$269.95	\$1,000.00	0%
Trash Removal	\$2,200.00	\$1,909.92	\$2,000.00	-9%
<b>TOTAL BUILDING</b>	<b>\$16,200.00</b>	<b>\$10,048.55</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>	<b>-7%</b>
<b>EQUIPMENT EXPENSES</b>				
Purchases	\$1,000.00	\$45.00	\$1,000.00	0%
Baler Repairs	\$8,000.00	\$11,190.61	\$8,000.00	0%
Baler Supplies	\$7,000.00	\$5,908.01	\$7,000.00	0%
Forklift Fuel	\$2,500.00	\$2,917.19	\$2,500.00	0%
Forklift Repairs	\$7,000.00	\$4,267.82	\$6,000.00	-14%
Miscellaneous Equipment Repairs	\$1,000.00	\$3,566.00	\$1,000.00	0%
Skidsteer Fuel	\$1,000.00	\$1,440.08	\$2,000.00	100%
Skidsteer Repairs	\$2,000.00	\$68.57	\$2,000.00	0%
Warehouse Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$2,196.63	\$2,000.00	33%
Trucks--Diesel	\$28,000.00	\$33,038.04	\$33,200.00	19%
Trucks--Repairs	\$7,000.00	\$7,105.71	\$7,000.00	0%
<b>TOTAL EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$66,000.00</b>	<b>\$71,743.66</b>	<b>\$71,700.00</b>	<b>9%</b>

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Gross Wages	\$300,000.00	\$297,036.30	\$311,606.00	4%
Overtime Wages-- Warehouse	\$4,000.00	\$3,677.96	\$5,000.00	25%
Fica (Employer Match)	\$18,335.00	\$18,557.43	\$19,010.00	4%
Medl (Employer Match)	\$4,288.00	\$4,339.87	\$4,446.00	4%
State Unemployment Insurance	\$10,000.00	\$11,629.44	\$11,200.00	12%
VMERS (Retirement)	\$13,900.00	\$13,837.31	\$14,940.00	7%
Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$12,000.00	\$15,909.00	\$13,500.00	13%
Health Insurance/Health Savings	\$89,000.00	\$76,135.35	\$80,000.00	-10%
Mileage - Employee	\$5,000.00	\$5,636.40	\$6,300.00	26%
Mileage- Supervisor's	\$4,000.00	\$5,908.11	\$5,500.00	38%
Personnel Equipment	\$500.00	\$103.29	\$500.00	0%
Training	\$1,000.00	\$424.00	\$1,000.00	0%
Travel	\$200.00	\$34.62	\$200.00	0%
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL</b>	<b>\$462,223.00</b>	<b>\$453,229.08</b>	<b>\$473,202.00</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>PROGRAMS EXPENSES</b>				
Advertising	\$3,000.00	\$2,621.96	\$3,300.00	10%
Permits & Fees	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-100%
Composting	\$14,500.00	\$17,595.91	\$7,000.00	-52%
Composter/Bin	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,000.00	
Education Outreach	\$12,000.00	\$6,547.00	\$14,230.00	19%
Electronics Recycling	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Hazmat Disposal	\$28,000.00	\$36,508.24	\$20,000.00	-29%
Hazmat Supplies	\$8,000.00	\$8,599.00	\$6,000.00	-25%
Special Collections	\$4,000.00	\$1,323.81	\$1,500.00	-63%
Tire Disposal	\$11,000.00	\$12,055.90	\$11,000.00	0%
<b>TOTAL PROGRAMS</b>	<b>\$80,800.00</b>	<b>\$85,251.82</b>	<b>\$70,030.00</b>	<b>-13%</b>
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$667,878.00</b>	<b>\$674,892.13</b>	<b>\$682,978.00</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>DEBT REDUCTION PAYMENTS</b>				
Interest				
Principal				
<b>TOTAL DEBT REDUCTION</b>				
<b>CAPITAL FUND</b>				
Capital Improvement Fund	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	0%
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$12,000.00</b>	<b>\$12,000.00</b>	<b>\$12,000.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>TOTAL NEK EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$679,878.00</b>	<b>\$686,892.13</b>	<b>\$694,978.00</b>	<b>2%</b>

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Grants--St of VT	\$49,000.00	\$47,067.00	\$55,000.00	12%
Hauling--Recycling Pick-ups	\$2,000.00	\$2,579.90	\$3,000.00	50%
Hazardous Waste (CEG Fees)	\$3,500.00	\$3,542.52	\$2,000.00	-43%
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$25.62	\$0.00	
Miscellaneous Income	\$2,000.00	\$124.20	\$0.00	-100%
Program Sales--Composter/Bins	\$1,000.00	\$96.00	\$1,000.00	0%
Programs- Oil Filter Program	\$500.00	\$275.00	\$500.00	0%
Sale of Recyclables	\$137,000.00	\$158,072.36	\$145,000.00	6%
Compost Income	\$1,000.00	\$947.30	\$1,000.00	0%
Electronics income	\$7,778.00	\$8,554.08	\$10,000.00	29%
Scrap Metal Income	\$22,100.00	\$25,229.10	\$22,500.00	2%
Battery Income	\$3,500.00	\$2,362.00	\$3,000.00	-14%
Tire Income	\$14,500.00	\$13,250.90	\$14,500.00	0%
Surcharge--Waste Haulers	\$436,000.00	\$474,068.61	\$437,478.00	0%
<b>TOTAL NEK REVENUES</b>	<b>\$679,878.00</b>	<b>\$736,194.59</b>	<b>\$694,978.00</b>	<b>2%</b>