



PRESS RELEASE

NRRRA Announces 2015-2016 Board of Trustee Members & Officers

Epsom, NH –The Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRRA) held its Annual Meeting on Wednesday, November 18, 2015 in Concord, NH. Representatives of NRRRA’s municipal membership elected the Board of Trustees for the upcoming year and the NRRRA Board of Trustees elected the Board Officers.

2015-2016 NRRRA Board Officers



NRRRA Board President

Duncan P. Watson currently serves as the Assistant Director of Public Works for the City of Keene, NH. He has been with the Department of Public Works since 1992. Duncan runs the Solid Waste Division which features the largest municipally operated materials recovery facility in the State of New Hampshire processing upwards of 8,000 tons of recyclables per year, a 30,000 ton per year Transfer Station, an award winning Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility, and an organics composting operation.

During his tenure in the Solid Waste Division, the City of Keene was named the best Municipal Recycling Facility in the State, and Duncan was awarded “Recycler of the Year” by the Northeast Resource Recovery Association. Duncan also oversees the operation of the City’s Highway Division which has over 120 miles of roadways, 52 miles of sidewalks and more than 5,000 drainage basins, as well as oversight responsibility for the City’s 150+ vehicle Fleet Services Division. Duncan has a Bachelor’s degree in Business from the University of New Hampshire and a Masters of Environmental Science degree from Antioch New England University. He has also served on the NRRRA Board of Trustees for more than 15 years, having held the offices of President and Vice President for several of those years. This is Duncan’s second consecutive term as NRRRA President.



Board Vice President

John Hurd is currently the Vermont program manager for PaintCare, working on setting up a paint recycling system in Vermont. He has been on the NRRRA Board since 2007 bringing his experience with implementing cost effective recycling and special waste collections to rural areas. His background includes seven years working in programs and administration for the Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District and six years as the Programs Manager for the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District in northern Vermont and a BS

in Environmental Science from Johnson State College. This is John's second term as Vice President.



Board Vice President

George Murray has over 35 years of experience in the Solid Waste and Resource Recovery field. Most recently, he retired as the Landfill Facility Director for the City of Lebanon, NH. Previously, he served for several years as the Executive Director of the Windham Solid Waste Management District in Brattleboro, VT. He has been a consultant with DSM Environmental Consulting out of Ascutney, VT as well as the Principal of his own environmental consulting firm. George brings a wealth of operational expertise to the NRR Board. This is

George's second consecutive term as Vice President.



Board Secretary

Michael Fallor has been the Town of Meredith Public Works Director since 1997, where he is responsible for four departments – Highway, Solid Waste, Buildings and Grounds, and Cemetery. He currently has a staff of 25 employees and oversees a budget of nearly four million dollars. Mike was also an active member in the NH/VT Solid Waste District serving most of his time on the Executive Board for the project. He was instrumental in closing the ash landfill and negotiating haul contracts with Wheelabrator. He also

learned about the incinerator operations located in Claremont NH. Mike worked closely with Mike Durfor, NRR's Executive Director, as he was the director of the project during its dissolution, focusing the project members and preparing them for closure. Mike graduated from the UNH Thompson School of Applied Science with a Civil Engineering degree. He worked for Atlantic Testing Labs doing QA/QC testing involving soils, concrete, fireproofing, and steel. His main project was the Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center as well as performing landfill inspections for New Cell Construction. Subsequently, he started working for the NH DOT in the Construction Bureau and spent 18 months in the training program going through various agencies within the State of NH. His last three years at NH DOT were spent serving as the Access Utility Engineer for District 3, Highway Maintenance.

Treasurer



Roger Rice currently serves as the Transfer Station Manager for the Town of Lee, NH and has since 2007. He received a Bachelor of Business Administration from Belknap College in Center Harbor, NH in 1969. His first career was in the family tire business in the 70's and 80's. Then he became a Real Estate Broker in North Hampton, NH and served on the Board of the Seacoast Board of Realtors as Secretary. He later worked at New England Homes as Service Manager and in the quality control department. Roger has served on the NRRRA Board of Trustees and as Treasurer since the fall of 2009.

New or Re-elected Board of Trustee Members:



Marc Morgan has been working in the solid waste industry for the past fifteen years. His career started at Keene State College where he worked for the college's recycling program. Some of the projects Marc has worked on include: developing a statewide school recycling calendar contest for New Hampshire; providing technical assistance to schools to improve recycling programs; creating new recycling programs at schools; presenting to students; partnering with teachers to develop classroom work focused on resource management and overseeing a school recycling program. Most recently, Mark has taken a position at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, NH as the Manager of Waste, Recycling and Training. Mark served as NRRRA Board President in 2010.



Gerry Cornett has worked in the municipal solid waste sector for 14 years. After working in Henniker as an attendant for three years, Gerry accepted the position of Superintendent for the Town of New Boston in 2003. In this capacity, Gerry has put many systems into place to make recycling easy, efficient and cost-effective. Public education is a top priority, and the town's recycling rate is currently around 42%. Gerry has spearheaded the New Boston Central School's recycling program which continues to be an excellent tool for educating future generations of recyclers. All revenues generated from this program are paid back to the school, whose current recycling rate is over 50%. Gerry served in the US Navy as a Missile Radar Technician having worked in electronics, facility maintenance and as a system analyst. He also has experience in machine design/fabrication, ergonomics, hazardous material handling and mitigation and life safety. Additionally, his health care background includes work in systems implementation, staff training, OSHA, NFPA and federal/state regulations compliance, and plant and operational

assessments. Gerry's next goal is to work on developing a food composting program to reduce the town's solid waste tonnage.



Roger Guzkowski has spent 20 years managing multiple award-winning campus recycling programs in both Massachusetts and California. Since 2006, Roger has returned to Five Colleges to manage the recycling program for the four private Colleges in the consortium. Roger first developed and coordinated the award-winning Five College Recycling Program from 1993-1999. Roger is a former Vice-Chair and longtime Steer of the national College & University Recycling Council (CURC) as well as Co-Chair or Steer of College & University recycling councils within both MassRecycle and the California Resource Recovery Association.



John M. Halstead, PhD has been a Professor at the University of NH Department of Natural Resources and the Environment since 1998. Prior to that, he served as Associate and Assistant Professor for many years. He holds a Doctor of Philosophy, has a Master's in Resource Economics, and a Bachelor's in Economics. Among his accomplishments are two books, 35 referred journal articles, nine book chapters, 39 abstracts, 64 miscellaneous reports, and 119 presented papers. He is also a member of the Exotic Aquatic Weeds & Species Committee (RSA 487:30), NH State Legislature; the SB60 Commission to Study Water Infrastructure Sustainability Funding Research, NH State Legislature; the NH Economic Incentives Task Force (NH HB 140) and has served on the NH Invasive Species Committee, 2003-2004. John has been a member of the NRRA Board of Trustees since 1996.



David E. Hartman is retired and living in Warner, New Hampshire. He has been a Selectman since 2005 and loves it. He served in the NH Office of State Planning for 29 years developing the *Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan* and directing the NH Coastal Program. Prior to that, he worked for two years as the Yap District Planner in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Micronesia). Prior to that, he worked for a consulting planning firm in Boston for two years developing master plans for communities in Maine. Prior to that, he and his wife were VISTA volunteers for a year in Haleiwa, Hawaii. David led the effort to recycle in Warner. He chaired the town's Recycling Committee over 20 years ago, which brought to the Town Meeting a warrant article declaring, "Recycling in Warner shall be mandatory." It passed overwhelmingly by voice vote! He continues to champion the cause of recycling whenever there's an opportunity. David received a Bachelor of Architecture degree from Western Reserve University in 1966. He received a Master of Urban Planning from Columbia University in 1968.



Charles Kelley has a background that includes serving as: Member and past chairman of the Salisbury/Sharon, CT Transfer Station Recycling and Advisory Committee (TRAC), Secretary of the Salisbury/Sharon Resource Recovery Authority(SSRA), Co-Chairman of the Salisbury/Sharon Resource Recovery Authority Building Committee, Chairman of the Salisbury Democratic Town Committee, and Secretary of the Salisbury Zoning Board of Appeals. Charlie has also served on the NRRRA Board of Trustees since 2009, serving as its Secretary for part of that time.



Gordon Martin is the Superintendent of the Wellesley, MA, Recycling and Disposal Facility and has served in this capacity for 35 years. He has also worked as a consultant for both the public and private sector. Gordon has served on the NRRRA Board since 2001.



Joel Moulton is the Public Works Director for the Town of Eliot, ME. As a Public Works Director for two municipalities, one in New Hampshire and one in Maine, Joel has had a number of experiences dealing with various types of transfer station and recycling facility operations. In NH, Joel managed the last unlined landfill and developed a mechanism for generating funds to cover the cost of the landfill closure. He also designed, constructed and implemented the operation of a new transfer station and recycling facility. In his current position as Public Works Director in Eliot, Maine he has worked with a volunteer group of individuals to find ways of reducing operational costs and increasing efficiencies in order to create a strong revenue source and minimize the tax impact of residents while working to achieve a level funded facility operation with no tax impact. Joel also has a number of years of experience in environmental and geotechnical consulting as well as the heavy construction field for an earthwork contractor where he was a foreman and superintendent for a number of projects.



Dennis Patnoe has been the Lancaster Transfer Station Supervisor for more than 15 years. When Dennis started at the facility, they were shipping 1,550 tons of MSW and only around 400 tons of recyclables per year. Dennis was successful in getting Pay-As-You-Throw (P.A.Y.T.) passed in March of 1999. In the first full year of P.A.Y.T., the Lancaster Transfer Station shipped only 505 tons of MSW and over 600 tons of recyclables. Today, the Town still only ships 516 tons of MSW and about 900 tons of recyclables. The Transfer Station has gone from having one Vertical Baler to three Vertical Balers and from two storage trailers to thirteen storage trailers, which enables the town to store product until pricing is favorable. Dennis's carpentry and electrical backgrounds have helped the Transfer Station with improvements like building a new break room, a new office, a new MSW control room, a new Demo Grinder control room and recycling tables. Dennis enjoys working with and helping the public with their needs at the Transfer Station. He also does electrical work for other town departments as needed. Dennis has also served on the NRRRA Board of Trustees since 2002. Each summer (for more than 30 years), Dennis works over 300 hours as the electrician for the Lancaster Fair which takes place every Labor Day weekend.



Lisa Stevens has been the Treasurer and Office Manager for the BCEP Solid Waste District in Pittsfield, NH since 2009. Prior to coming to BCEP, Lisa was the Administrator for the Town of Chichester. Lisa has spent over twenty years in the public sector professionally and personally, holding both elected and volunteer positions on the Nottingham Budget Committee, Parent Teacher Association (past president), Recreation Director, Town Treasurer, Police Association Treasurer; and Treasurer for the non-profit group Field of Dreams Therapeutic Riding. Lisa is a founding member and past officer of the Pawtuckaway Piecers Quilt Guild.



Mark Richardson is the Transfer Station Coordinator for the Town of Hampton, NH. After a career in human services and education, Mark made a change into the world of solid waste and recycling in 1997, when he began working for BFI in customer service and dispatch. Later at Waste Management, Mark worked in customer service and sales. Since 2000, Mark has been the Recycling and Transfer Station Coordinator for the Town of Hampton. Mark was responsible for creating the first municipal computer recycling program in New Hampshire. In 2010, Hampton took over its curbside recycling program from their long time vendor and added that to the curbside trash collection Hampton has always done for itself. Mark has been actively involved in making both programs work. With an active recycling committee and a

positive thinking Public Works Director, new things are happening in Hampton; and Mark is looking forward to even better things to come. Mark has a BA in Politics from the University of Massachusetts, Boston and an MA degree in History from the University of New Hampshire. He spent four years on the Somersworth Planning Board followed by 14 years as a School Board member and now serves on the Somersworth Ethics Commission. In the sporting world, you can find Mark and his musket with the End Zone Militia at Gillette Stadium during the New England Revolution and the New England Patriots games. He is also the Founder and Chairman of the Atlantic Surfing Museum located in Wall, NJ, and is on the lookout for a second museum location in New England.



Board since 2008.

Sarah Silk has been a Site Coordinator for the Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility for the past 23 years. She has also served on the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Wolfeboro for 11 years as well as the Conservation Commission & Friends of Abenaki Ski Area. She has been a member of the Safe Medical Sharps Subcommittee for the past five years. When not dealing with some sort of waste, she fills her time working with School's Out! Elementary after school program (8 years); and she has been an Adult Quilt Retreat Instructor for the Wolfeboro Parks & Recreation Dept. for the past five years. She has served on the NRRA



Roberta Orsini serves as Business Administrator to Portsmouth Public Works. On the solid waste side of her current role, she is responsible for the efficient operation of the Recycling Center, solid waste pickup and removal, and for the City's biannual household hazardous waste collections. Her interest lies in working toward the best possible service delivery for residents that is both environmentally responsible and cost effective. Prior to working for Portsmouth, Roberta served the Town of South Berwick, Maine for twelve years. In her role as Interim Town Manager, Roberta implemented a successful transition to Pay-As-You-Throw at the Transfer Station. Later, as Assistant Town Manager she continued to track the progress of the program and assist with the ongoing educational component. Roberta holds a degree in Finance from Southern New Hampshire University. She has recently completed a four year term as board member and President of SoBo Central (a community non-profit in South Berwick) and previously served as a board member and Treasurer for Great Bay Figure Skating Club. Roberta remains actively involved in the community supporting the efforts of the South Berwick Public Library, the Community Food Pantry, Keep South Berwick Warm, and other community programs.

The Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA) is a proactive, non-profit organization that has worked for over 30 years with its membership to make their recycling programs strong, efficient and financially successful. For more information visit www.nrra.net.