

RECYCLING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 20, 2009 (Minutes by Sarah Martell)

Meeting start: ~7:30pm

In Attendance: Gary Bernhard, Meryl Mandell, Ron Essig, Paul Vlach, Gail Fleischaker, and Sarah Martell

Items:

- Sub-Committees were formed in response to a request by Sarah Martell, Recycling coordinator, as follows:
 - Education Sub-Committee: Mino Caulton & Meryl Mandell
 - Bulky Waste Sub-Committee: Ron Essig & Gary Bernhard
 - Hazardous Waste Sub-Committee: Karen Czerwonka (Pending her approval)
 - Finance: Gail Fleischaker & Paul Vlach

- Earth Day 2010 Discussed. Sarah would like to jointly coordinate with the Conservation Commission to coordinate a town wide clean-up day next Spring for Earth Day.

- Trash Bag distribution schedule confirmed. May 2 Town Meeting schedule decided upon for distribution of Trash bags at the elementary school

- Monthly 'blurbs' of "Trash Talk" via email for the town discussed—Sarah is interested in starting this routine

- Discussion of Duseau Trucking visits on a Wednesday when they pick up trash for the week. Sarah would like to visit, as would Gail and Gary when this is coordinated. A list of contacts is needed for Duseau so that any problems / needs will be addressed. A list of who has been rejected has been mentioned, and would possibly be a good resource for use with the Grant established for educating the town about recycling. A date of a few (2-3) weeks from April 20 was suggested for this possible visit.

- The town clerk needs to be sent the \$ intake forms.

- The Town Administrator needs to be contacted in regard to contracts from previous years and other options regarding CFCs from Bulky Waste Day, and Electronics

- Several thoughts were offered in regard to the Education campaign: Seasonal reminders, thermometer and mercury drop off site at town hall, Earth Day, Celebrate Shutesbury and mass email for Bulky waste day volunteers.
- The Grant was discussed further. We have accepted it, and have until late June to complete the Grant requirements. David Dann may have extended this deadline.
- Discussion of where to place Bulky Waste Day signs for maximum viewing \
- Meetings for upcoming years, it was agreed that it would be good to have regular meetings in the future, on set dates — at least three per year. No specific dates decided upon.

Meeting adjourned at ~8:30pm