

# Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2008

10:30am-12:00pm

Present:

John Coyle

Michael Rohr

Katie Condon

Gene Wyatt

Sharon Collins-Hazley

New Member of Recycling Committee-Sharon Collins-Hazley replaces Janna Morrissey  
Email Sharon: mama\_to\_2@comcast.net

Update: John and Gene-Wellesley Transfer Station Visit

- 9400 cars come per week, 14 employees
- Recycling area is the first stop, with overflow area if needed
- Trash goes to NY
- Makes money-enough to cover costs and give \$400,000 to town
- Nice swap shop-volunteers staff it (100 volunteers), items kept 3-4 days
- No charge for TS stickers
- Mix paperboard and newspaper 60-40 for max profit
- Patrons sort everything
- They charge for brush and then chip it
- Compost is free or they will load it for \$10/truck

Gene: Suggests we make a flow chart to show options for TS

- Sharon can do PowerPoint
- Diagram options, pros and cons for single stream, pay as you throw, etc

Mike suggest having meeting with Paul Basler

- Discussed changing every other meeting to a week night so Paul can attend

Duxbury single stream is going well

New Signs might be coming about recycling mercury in bulbs along with shed

Jeanine Delany is leaving DEP position-someone new will be hired

Discussed using \$ from redeemable bottles at TS to buy more bins for recycling

**To do: Katie:** can we get a booth at the Kingston Agricultural Fair

Can we raffle something? (Gene has compost bin)

Can the committee fundraise?

ask Jean who is on committee for fair

Suggestion: have essay contest about recycling

Suggestion: Get a trailer for town for recycling-bring around to town events

**To do:** **Mike** will contact Paul Basler to see if can meet before our next Saturday meeting

Suggested meeting date: Wed July 30

List of questions we would like to ask Paul:

- Can we put a slot on cardboard bin for now?
- Can we get new signs for now?
- What do you think about single stream recycling?
- Can we get recycling trailer for town events?
- Can we get a piece of the \$ raised from redeemable bottles at TS?
- Can we get town recycler to recycle cardboard at schools?
- What are your feelings on PAYT?
- Can we get a system with fines for not recycling?
- Are there employees who staff TS only?
- How can the recycling committee help enforce TS rules?
- Would Paul want to attend if we changed our meetings to a weeknight?