

Milford Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2012, 6:30 p.m.

DPW Conference Room

Members Present		Members Absent
Gil Archambault	Gary Daniels, BOS Representative	Steve Trombly
Celeste Barr	Claire Holston	
Bert Becker	Tammy Scott	
Dave Bowden	Anna Thonis	
Robert Courage	Leighton White	

1. **Opening.** Selectman Gary Daniels opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Approval of Minutes**
 - **Approval of 01/10/12 Minutes.** Gil Archambault moved to approve the 01/10/12 minutes. Bert Becker. Members voted to approve the minutes, 9-0.
3. **Old Business.**
 - Tammy Scott stated that the Demolition area hours have been extended to 3:00 p.m. on Saturdays.
 - An updated committee membership list was distributed to committee members.
4. **New Business.**
 - **Public Service Announcements**
 - The committee discussed creating PowerPoint public service announcement presentations for broadcasting on the cable access channel. The announcements would state:
 - Residents no longer need to remove labels from recycled plastic and glass containers.
 - Plastic grocery bags can be recycled at the Still Good Shed
 - Demolition material disposal area hours have been extended to 3:00 p.m. on Saturdays.
 - Household hazardous waste day will be held on May 5, 2012 at the DPW Facility, 283 South Street, Milford.
 - More recycling information can be found in brochures available at the Recycling Center/Transfer Station.
 - **School Recycling Contract**
 - The committee questioned whether or not the school system is under contract for the removal of their solid waste and recyclables.
 - **Facility Enhancements**
 - Members discussed work needed at the Recycling Center/Transfer Station and the status of the various projects:
 - Modifying the driving surface near the recycling drop-off building – paving companies are supposed to re-open next week.
 - Chipping vs. burning – Approval has been given to resume chipping – estimate that chipping would be done about three times per year
 - Upgrading the scales – a purchase order has been obtained
 - Reconfigure weight house for efficiency – could the Wood Tech class at the high school assist with this project?
 - Expand the Still Good Shed– could the Wood Tech class at the high school assist with this project?

- **Town Safety Committee Recommendations**
 - The Town Safety Committee made the following safety-related recommendations:
 - Construct a barrier at the solid waste drop-off location to keep children away from the edge of the disposal platform – construction in process.
 - Reconfigure the overhang at the recycling drop-off building – an A-frame overhang will be constructed so that water and snow will be deposited to the left and right of the drop-off area instead of the current configuration, which now deposits water and snow at the entrance to the drop-off.
- **Recycling Ordinance Modifications**
 - Members will continue their discussion on proposed changes and restructuring of the Recycling/Solid Waste Ordinance at the next meeting
- **Recycling Brochure**
 - Students in the Business Tech program at the high school are working on a new recycling/solid waste brochure that will contain updated information that matches the Recycling/Solid Waste Ordinance information.
- **Traffic Patterns**
 - There was some discussion regarding whether or not traffic patterns should be changed – no decisions were made.
- **Additional Signage**
 - Additional signage is needed to direct people to the appropriate recycling drop-off area.
- **Revenue**
 - As of February 3, 2012, revenue of \$12,462.71 has been generated through recycling.

5. **Action Items:**

- **Public Service Announcements**
 - Anna Thonis will create PowerPoint public service announcement presentations and send them to Mike McInerny for broadcasting on the cable access channel.
- **School Recycling Contract**
 - Anna Thonis and Bert Becker will contact School Business Administrator Katie Chamber to determine if the school system is under contract for the removal of their solid waste and recyclables.
- **Facility Enhancements**
 - Anna Thonis will check with Mr. Carter at the high school to determine whether or not the Wood Tech students could assist with the reconfiguration of the weight house and/or expansion of the Still Good Shed.
- **Recycling Ordinance Modifications**
 - Gary Daniels will continue modification and restructuring of the Recycling/Solid Waste Ordinance for discussion at the next meeting.
- **Recycling Brochure**
 - Celeste Barr will track the progress on the new recycling/solid waste brochure.
- **Public Service Announcements**
 - Tammy Scott will be talking to someone this week regarding additional signage needed to guide residents in correctly disposing of their recyclables at the appropriate location with the Transfer Station
- Anna Thonis will find out if the school has a separate dumpster for recyclables, and if the recyclables stay in Milford.

6. **Next Meeting.** The next Recycling Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, April 17, at 6:30p at the DPW Conference Room on South Street.

7. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary L. Daniels
Representative to the Board of Selectmen