

Milford Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2013, 6:30 p.m.

MPD Conference Room

Members Present	Members Present	Members Absent
Gil Archambault	Jerry Guthrie	Dave Bowden
Celeste Barr	George Hoyt	T. Lindsay D'Anna
Bert Becker	Tammy Scott	Anna Thonis
Gary Daniels, Selectman	Leighton White	Steve Trombly

1. **Opening.**

- Selectman Gary Daniels opened the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

- Celeste Barr moved to approve the minutes of February 19, 2013 with a couple corrections. Gil Archambault seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed 8/0. In addition to be posted on the Town Web site, Town Administrator Guy Scaife and DWP Director Rick Riendeau should also be included on the distribution list of these minutes.

3. **Old Business.**

• **Oath of Office**

- Selectman Daniels asked if all members had taken their oath of office after having been appointed by Selectmen to a specific term. There were still a couple who had not. These members we reminded that this needed to be done.

• **Still Good Shed**

- Selectman Daniels reported to his knowledge all issues regarding the Still Good Shed expansion had been resolved and that the building was now ADA-compliant.

• **Recycling Building Overhang**

- Selectman Daniels reported that the overhang needed to be more securely fastened to the building and that the posts needed to be embedded in concrete to satisfy inspection requirements.

• **Update on Scale House Replacement Project**

- Leighton White and Tammy Scott updated committee on the status of the Scale House Replacement Project. Tammy reported that it would cost about \$1500 to temporarily move the scales during the week to allow establishment of a new scale house. The total cost, including returning the scales its permanent location, would be about \$3000. We seem to have most of the quotes we need and now need to start assembling that research and information into a presentation that can be used to justify inclusion in the 2014 town budget. It was noted that a replacement scale house/office would be portable, that the current building suffers from neglect, brought on by years of uncertainty as to whether or not the state would force Milford to relocate its transfer station. Those concerns no longer exist. Members were encouraged to read the 2008 Aries Engineering Report regarding the status of v=arious aspects of the Transfer Station.

• **Legislative Update**

- Selectman Daniels, who is also a State Representative, updated the committee on legislation that would allow Recycling Program Revolving Fund money to be used to maintain the program (HB126). Currently the statutes state that the money can be used to establish and

administer a recycling program. HB126 was signed by the Governor on May 7, 2013 and will go into effect on July 6, 2013.

- **School Recycling Status**
 - Bert Becker, Celeste Barr and George Hoyt updated the committee on information they had acquired on various aspects of recycling at the schools.
 - Permission has been granted by Milford Schools Superintendent Robert Suprenant to distribute recycling brochure in the schools.
 - Celeste Barr will research the number of brochures needed and printing options available.
- **2013 Recycling Committee Goals**
 - Gary Daniels brief updated the committee on the status of its 2013 goals.

4. **New Business.**

- **Resignation**
 - Selectman Daniels informed the committee that because of other personal commitments, Robert Courage had tendered his resignation from the committee by opting not to take his oath of office for his prescribed term. Bob's experience and history of solid waste and recycling issues will sorely be missed on the committee. (This was subsequently deemed at the 6/18/13 meeting to be erroneous information, as Robert Courage had tendered his resignation as a Cemetery Trustee, but not as a member of the Recycling Committee.)
- **Web Site**
 - The committee would like to use a meeting to go through an evaluation of the solid waste/recycling sections of the Web site. This would require use of a projector in an environment that would enable larger size display of the page.
- **Other Business**
 - The committee briefly discussed way to enhance recycling through advertising, including billboards, digital boards and banners.
 - Jerry Guthrie shared with the committee a current project to purchase six recycling containers for Keyes Field by selling bricks. The target date of completion of this project is fall 2013.

5. **Action Items:**

- **Web Site**
 - All members were encouraged to review the Recycling/Solid Waste (Transfer Station) section of the town Web site and be prepared at the next meeting to submit ideas and/or comments to enhance the site.
 - Gary Daniels will provide approved minutes for posting to the town Web site.
- **Recycling Brochures**
 - Celeste Barr will coordinate the effort of getting recycling brochures distributed in the schools before school is released for the summer..
- **Meeting Location**
 - Celeste Barr will check the availability of the MPD Conference Room for future committee meetings.

6. **Next Meeting.** The next Recycling Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, June 18, at 6:30p at the Milford Police Station, if the conference room is available, otherwise at the DPW Conference Room on South Street. Members will be informed prior to the June meeting. If a change in location is made, the new location will be posted for public informational purposes as well.

7. **Adjournment:** Gil Archambault moved to adjourn the meeting. Celeste Barr seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed 8/0. The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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