

Milford Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2014, 6:30 p.m.

MPD Conference Room

Members Present	Members Present	Members Absent	Guests
Gil Archambault	Jerry Guthrie	Robert Courage	
Celeste Barr	George Hoyt	Steve Trombly	
Bert Becker	Tammy Scott	Matthew Willette	
Dave Bowden	Leighton White		
Gary Daniels, Selectman			

1. **Opening.**

- Selectman Gary Daniels opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

- Minutes of August 19, 2014 and October 21, 2014 were presented for approval. Leighton White moved to accept the minutes as presented. Jerry Guthrie seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

3. **Old Business.**

• **Scale House Replacement Project**

- Tammy Scott updated the committee on the status of the Mobile Office project.
 - Curbing is being put in at the Transfer Station. Paving should follow.
 - The temporary trailer used in transitioning to the mobile office was removed on 11/18/14.
 - The new mobile office needs to have an awning installed.

• **Recycling Containers**

- Jerry Guthrie is waiting for a check from Bob Courage to cover the remaining cost of recycling container lids.

• **Recycling Education**

- Gil Archambault stated that more recycling education is needed at the Transfer Station. More signs are needed, as is some indicator to inform the public of the current level of recycling. Tammy Scott said that the primary focus lately has been on getting the new mobile office in place and the affect land around the office modified as necessary. Once that is complete, signs can be erected in permanent locations at the Transfer Station.

4. **New Business.**

• **School District Recycling**

- Bert Becker distributed a handout that provided information regarding recycling in the school district. This document identified the number of solid waste and recycling dumpsters at each school..
- What contract does the school district currently have regarding recyclables and solid waste? When does that contract end? What are the tenets of the contract? Bert Becker will get a copy of the contract.
- What is the possibility of school district custodians taking recyclables to the Transfer Station? It had been done in the past.
- Are there other school districts that have separate recycling and solid waste contracts?
- Does the school district have a recycling policy? Celeste will check on that.
- How can a recycling program be set up to benefit the school?
- Why are there three or four solid waste bins and only one recycling bins at the schools? One would think that the schools would have more recyclables than solid waste.

- At the expiration of the current contract, could a local recycling/solid waste program be established that would benefit the school and town more than the current contract?
- Need to engage the Milford School Board regarding school recycling.

5. **Meetings:**

- Gary Daniels announced that he had received approval for Recycling Committee meetings to be held at the Community Room at the Milford Police Station through December 2015. He will send out a 2015 meeting schedule.

6. **Action Items:**

- Gary Daniels will draft meeting minutes and distribute to members prior to the next meeting.
- Gary Daniels will provide approved minutes to the Town Administrator, the DPW Director, and the Community Media Director, who will post them on the town Web site.
- Gary Daniels will distribute a 2015 meeting schedule for the Recycling Committee.
- Bert Becker will get a copy of the school district recycling and solid waste contract.
- Dave Bowden will research school recycling policy in other towns.
- Celeste Barr will check to see if the Milford School District has a recycling policy.
- George Hoyt will invite a Milford Middle School teacher to the next Recycling Committee meeting to gain further insight into recycling at the schools.
- Celeste Barr said she will invite a Jacques Elementary School secretary who is very interested in recycling.

7. **Next Meeting.** The next regular meeting of the Recycling Committee will be on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 6:30p at the Milford Police Station.

8. **Adjournment:** Gil Archambault moved to adjourn the meeting. Bert Becker seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed. (Leighton White left the meeting at 7:00 p.m.) The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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