September 18, 2018 6:30 p.m. Milford Town Hall

In Attendance:

Jerry Guthrie, Vice Chair	George Hoyt	Gil Archambault
Celeste Barr, Secretary Tammy Scott		
Gary Daniels, Selectmen's Rep.	Diane Varney-Parker	

1. **Opening**

The meeting was opened at 6:35 p.m. by Vice Chair Jerry Guthrie. Committee introduced themselves.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

The Committee voted to accept the June 2018 minutes and the parade planning notes of Aug 21 meeting.

3.. Old Business

Gil praised the efforts and participation of the Recycling Committee in the Labor Day Parade. Gary appreciated the exposure that this effort gave to the Committee. Celeste felt it was a good way to expose residents to the items recycled in Milford and to the fact that there is a long-standing committee on recycling. The Town of Milford will be reimbursing committee members for the purchase of committee T-shirts and the Recycling Committee banners.

4. **New Business**

- Diane shared that various School District personnel from SAU 40 have met several times this year to discuss waste minimization and recycling efforts in the schools. The goal of this group is to bring about a more consistent and aggressive recycling program across all schools (based on the high performance of the Milford Middle School). This group has asked the new Superintendent if a formal committee can be formed for the school District for this purpose.
- Gary shared a PowerPoint on electronics recycling. Tammy said the town is paying a company in Nashua [RMG] for recycling electronics that come to the Transfer Station. Residents pay to recycle electronics.
- Update on other recyclables by Tammy: All colors of glass bottles (but not ceramics or Pyrex) are being recycled for road bedding. The Town recycling brochure and website needs to be updated to reflect this.

- Milford is still receiving money for #1 and #2 plastics, unlike some other municipalities, mainly because they are sorted and not contaminated.
- Mixed paper costs money \$ to dispose of at this time. We receive money for sorted clean corrugated cardboard.
- The Recyclemobile will be put out downtown for the Pumpkin Festival October 5-7th. The Committee felt it should be placed near the Community House lawn or central oval to be more visible to residents and visitors.
- Celeste suggested better collection vessels and bigger more professional and signs to
 identify recycling of ni-cad or lithium batteries, fluorescent bulbs, cell phones and
 charger, eyeglasses, computer cartridges, thermometers. The signs should be visible
 from a distance so people can see them from their cars or from the Mixed Paper
 collection area.
- Municipal Ban of single use Plastic Bags- Diane and Celeste will check on the status in other towns in NH. The question came up about how NH not being a "home rule state" affects this effort.

5. Schedule of Future Recycling Education spotlights:

Oct 2018 – Paper & Cardboard Recycling educational presentation by Tammy Scott.

Nov 2018 meeting – Metals educational presentation by Tammy

Dec 2018 meeting—Proper disposal of medical needles/sharps and Christmas trees by Tammy

Future Events

2018 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule

Day	Date	Time	Location
Saturday	October 6	8:00 am - noon	Nashua Public Works Garage
Saturday	November 3	8:00 am - noon	Nashua Public Works Garage

Location: Nashua Public Works Garage, 9 Stadium Drive, Nashua

For details on what is collected: http://www.nashuarpc.org/energy-environmental-planning/household-hazardous-waste/

- 6. **Next Meeting.** The next regular meeting of the Recycling Committee will be on Tuesday October 16, 2019 at 6:30 pm will be held at the Milford Police Department. Rob or Jerry will reserve the Police Department for that meeting.
- 7. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Celeste Philbrick Barr, Secretary