

Milford Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2018, 6:30 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Meeting Room, Town Hall then moved to Milford Police Department

In Attendance:

Kathy Fay-Clancy	George Hoyt	
Celeste Barr, Secretary	Tammy Scott	
Jerry Guthrie, Vice Chair	Diane Varney-Parker	
Rob Canty, Chair		

1. **Opening.**

- There was some confusion about the meeting being scheduled in the Selectmen's Room or Ambulance Station and it ended up at the Police Station. Rob Canty opened the meeting at 6:40 p.m. after everyone relocated to the Police Station.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

- Committee voted to accept the March 2018 minutes.

3. **Old Business.**

- 37th NRRA Recycling Conference is in Manchester May 21 and 22nd. There is a discounted ticket for more than 3 people from an organization such as the town to attend. Tammy will be attending for the Town of Milford. Diane Varney-Parker and MMS students will be attending on 5/22 for the Milford School District Recycling efforts and to receive an award.

4. **New Business**

- A recycling barrel at Keyes was destroyed.
- Jerry did inspections of all the locations of town owned Recycling bins and all have been placed out for spring except MCAA.
- Kathy will try to contact Troy Swanick at Milford DPW to get some placed there as the fields are busy and many recyclables are disposed of there.
- Celeste requested Tammy send the Milford trash and recycling data for 2017 to the committee members. Gil requested a hard copy.
- The MMS is working with the MHS Green Club to try to help spread their experience and recycling success to the Milford High School.
- MMS will celebrate Green Week with a different environmental theme each day of the week. Several MMS and MHS Green Club students will be meeting with Congresswoman Kuster to share their efforts at waste reduction and recycling.
- Boomerang Bag update: another sewing bee and new volunteers to sew reusable shopping bags and help reduce consumption of single use plastics in the area.
- George proposed working on a plastic Bag ban in Milford. Diane shared some helpful information on that from the NH Plastic Pollution Alliance and MassGreen.org
- George sent a request to MHS Graphic Arts instructors to ask if students could design a new recycling brochure for the Town. He offered a \$50 prize for the design that is chosen. George will bring the entries to the next meeting for review.

5. Upcoming

- Jerry Guthrie asked if the committee would be interested in participating in the Milford Labor Day Parade as a way to promote recycling and waste reduction. The idea was well received and the Committee brainstormed possible float ideas.
- One idea was to recreate the walking Recycling Float from 20 years ago with a shopping cart (borrowed from local supermarket) for each item recycled by the Town of Milford: #1 Plastics #2 plastics, glass, aluminum, paper, corrugated cardboard, leaves and brush, motor oil etc. The Recyclemobile could also be part of the 'float'. The Recyclemobile will then be dropped at the Cookout area at end of parade route (Souhegan Boys and Girls club).
- The Committee would also like to recreate their original 'Operation Separation' mascot Trash Cannie. He no longer exists so will have to be recreated.

Schedule of Future Recycling Education spotlights:

- Celeste will send a slide to Mike McNerny for the Cable Channel promoting Household Hazardous waste collection at Milford DPW May 5 8 am –noon.
- May 2018 – Paper & Cardboard Recycling educational presentation by Tammy Scott.
- June 2018 meeting – Metals educational presentation by Tammy
- August 2018 meeting—Proper disposal of medical needles by Tammy

Future Issues for Consideration

- Creating an educational Transfer Station "tour" video for posting on the Web and viewing on the cable access channel-George will followup with Mike McNerney
- Encourage residents to get a current Transfer Station sticker if they have one that has expired

Future Events

2018 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule

Day	Date	Time	Location
Saturday	April 21	8:00 am - noon	Nashua Public Works Garage
Saturday	May 5	8:00 am - noon	Milford Public Works Garage
Thursday	June 7	3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Nashua Public Works Garage
Saturday	August 4	8:00 am - noon	Nashua Public Works Garage
Saturday	October 6	8:00 am - noon	Nashua Public Works Garage
Saturday	November 3	8:00 am - noon	Nashua Public Works Garage

Locations: Nashua Public Works Garage, 9 Stadium Drive, Nashua (all dates EXCEPT May 5, 2018 which is at Milford DPW, South Street)

For details on what is collected: see <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, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's room of the Milford Town Hall. The meeting on June 19, 2018 at 6:30p will be held at the Milford Ambulance meeting room on Elm Street.

7. **Adjournment:** **Jerry Guthrie** moved to adjourn the meeting. George Hoyt seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Celeste Philbrick Barr
Secretary