Milford Recycling and Solid Waste Committee Meeting Minutes

February 19, 2019 6:30 p.m. Milford Police Department

In Attendance:

Jerry Guthrie, Chair	George Hoyt
Celeste Barr, Secretary	Tammy Scott
Gary Daniels, Selectmen's Rep.	Diane Varney Parker
Mary Burdett	

1. **Opening** The meeting was opened at 6:33 p.m. by Chairman Jerry Guthrie.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

The Committee voted to accept the January 2019 minutes.

3. Old Business

Membership-Gil Archambault was out sick but is planning on renewing his term. Leighton White, and Rob Canty will not be renewing their appointments to the committee at this time. Mary Burdett was interviewed by the selectmen as a new committee member and sworn in by the Town Clerk February 2019.

Composting education:

Celeste will be having a display on home composting and vermicomposting at the Wilton Sustainability Fair on May 4th. At a previous meeting, it was suggested that the Committee come up with a video to post on the Town Website about home composting. We are still searching for a short, appropriate video that can be shared in this manner.

Plastic Bag Ban

Waiting on NH Legislature to enable town to consider plastic bag ban.

Public Recycling Barrels

Tammy reported that the Town of Milford Recycling Center does not have any more Coca Cola drums for making into Town Recycling bins. If some become available, Jerry will paint them. There are several cracked bins around town property that need replacing.

On election days, we need to check with Town and School moderator Peter Basiliere to make sure that recycling barrels are in the voting area.

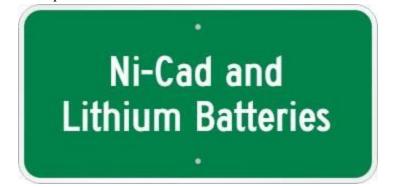
Signs for Recycling Center

The Committee decided large, legible signs are needed at the Recycling Center to identify locations for recycling. The signs should be large enough for people see from the mixed paper side of the building. Some of the existing signs are green metal with white lettering so these colors could be used for continuity.

Items and vessels that need labelling:

- 1. Ni-cad and lithium batteries
- 2. Cell phones & chargers
- 3. Computer cartridges
- 4. Fluorescent bulbs
- Example:

- 5. Eyeglasses
- 6. Thermometers
- 7. Fluorescent light ballasts



Since the wording is long, 12 x 36" signs might be appropriate.

A 12" x 24" sign can cost \$37 plus \$14 for laminate coating to protect sign against sunlight. A 12" x 36" sign can be purchased for \$47 plus coating.

Tammy will check with Rick on cost of signs if ordered from vendor DPW regularly uses. A decision about mounting will need to be made for each of the items listed above.

4. New Business

The MMS Green Club was informed they cannot meet during the day. The club manages the Recycling and composting for the entire Middle School throughout the day.

Town Recycling Brochure Contest

Milford High School Graphic Design students submitted many entries of a redesigned brochure on recycling for the Town of Milford. Committee members reviewed the entries and evaluated aspects of the design, font sizes, titles, and artwork for legibility and clarity. Consideration was also given to the idea that often the brochures are printed in black and white and should be legible in that version too.

Three entries were selected with aspects of each found desirable. George Hoyt will follow up with the MHS Graphic Design teacher to ask 1) what software was used to create the documents, 2) might it be possible to consolidate the three designs into a final brochure and 3) if they cannot be consolidated at school, are the files of the entries available and may the Committee have them? A decision about the award for the contest was postponed.

There are several pieces of information that need updating in the brochure. Those subject areas are Glass recycling, textile recycling and the addition of the Still Good Shed. The hazardous waste information can be abbreviated. The recycling bins at the entrance to the Recycling Center can be listed and explained.

Updates need to be made to the Town Website as well.

Disposal fees may be changing in the next month so they are not final for the brochure yet.

A separate document should be created for Commercial waste disposal, hours for commercial disposal and commercial fees.

Name Change

Milford Recycling & Solid Waste Committee is the official name of the committee and will remain so for the time being.

Glass Recycling

Tammy reiterated that the Town of Milford is only accepting Brown, white, green bottles. (such as beer, liquor, and glass jars). Pyrex, mirrors, porcelain and ceramic bathroom fixtures are NO LONGER recyclable in Milford.

5. Next meeting

The next meeting will be March 19, 2019 the 3rd Tuesday at the Milford Police Station Community Meeting Room.

6. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Celeste Philbrick Barr, Secretary