

## **Milford Recycling and Solid Waste Committee Meeting Minutes**

January 21, 2020 6:30 p.m.

Milford Police Department

In Attendance:

Jerry Guthrie, Chair

Diane Varney-Parker

Celeste Barr, Secretary

Gary Daniels, Selectmen's Rep.

Mary Burdett

1. **Opening.** The meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Jerry Guthrie.

2. **Approval of Minutes** The Committee voted to accept the November 20, 2019 minutes.

### **3. Old Business**

**Revised Ordinance**--Has been sent to Tina Philbrick for proofreading and numbering. Check back with her when she is less busy in March.

#### **Signage at Recycling & Transfer Station**

The second order of green and white signs for the Transfer Station are in progress at the NH State Prison sign shop.

#### **Updated Brochure**

The brochure is ready for copying, distribution and the website. Mary made copies for town hall and the Wadleigh library. Gary will contact Dave Wheeler about 500 more color copies for the Transfer Station.

Celeste will followup with the town webmaster to update the Transfer Station and Recycling webpages and to have the new brochure uploaded.

**Zero Waste Event**--Milford Thrive, a new community non-profit will be hosting Bea Johnson- The Zero waste Family (click to watch her TED talk) at the Amato Center May 19th. The Recycling Committee can promote this event. Nancy will have more details on the time and coordination with Diane for meeting with the students at MMS.

The committee discussed the possibility of setting up informational displays in the lobby of the Amato Center. Celeste offered the Beaver Brook Plastics reduction display. The Committee can put together a bin of acceptable items recycled in Milford and have brochures ready for distribution. Other possible educational displays?

**Composting at the Transfer Station** needs to be addressed by DPW and Milford Selectman. A plan for the management and turning of the current compost is needed. There is always adequate finished compost for the residents of Milford to take for free. Usually excess compost not taken by residents is removed by various farmers.

Schedule time to add 'See our composting Area' by still good shed...to the Reader Board sign. Add "Milford Compost Challenge" by [milfordthrives.org](http://milfordthrives.org)

#### 4. **New Business**

The Recycling Committee is seeking submissions from local businesses and organizations that are taking steps to reduce waste or increase recycling which can be highlighted on our **Facebook page**. Submissions including photos can be sent to Celeste Barr.

**Tshirts for Still Good Shed and other Volunteers.** Upon request of this Committee Rick Riendeau, DPW Director ordered a dozen green Recycling Volunteer Tshirts to better identify volunteers at the Transfer and Recycling Center.

The Committee reviewed the findings of the 2019 Solid Waste Study Committee of NH Legislature and would like to adopt a goal of 25% solid waste reduction by 2030 for the Town of Milford. In an effort to achieve that, the Committee requests a breakdown by materials of all recycling and solid waste in recent years from DPW.

The Committee would like to invite the new Town Administrator John Shannon and Rick Riendeau DPW to the next meeting Feb 18 at 6:30 pm at the Milford Police Station.

Elections were held.

President = Jerry Guthrie

Vice President= Mary Burdett

Secretary = Celeste Barr

#### 5. **Next meeting**

The next meeting will be February 18, 2020 the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at the Milford Police Station Community Meeting Room.

6. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Celeste Philbrick Barr, Secretary

Approved by Committee 4/21/2020