Milford Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2018, 6:30 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Meeting Room, Town Hall

In Attendance:

Rob Canty, Chair	George Hoyt	Jerry Guthrie, Vice Chair
Celeste Barr, Secretary	Tammy Scott	Gil Archambault
Gary Daniels, Selectmen's Rep.		

1. Opening.

• The meeting opened at 6:40 p.m. The Committee had a moment of silence for longtime committee member Bert Becker who recently passed away. Bert had been a member since the Milford Recycling Committee was formed in 1989.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

• The Committee voted to accept the April 2018 minutes.

3. **Old Business**.

- The 37th NRRA Recycling Conference is in Manchester May 21 and 22nd.
- Household Hazardous Waste collection was held this month in Milford at the DPW garage. Approximately 200 cars participated.
- Jerry believes all the town owned recycling bins have been placed out for spring. He will put new stickers on them where needed. Jerry and Rob will check MCAA field to make sure those barrels are out.
- The committee discussed the Labor Day Parade 'float'. Rob has permission from the Milford Market Basket to borrow shopping carts for the parade. Jerry will notify the parade committee that the Recycling Committee will participate in the Milford Labor Day Parade to promote recycling and waste reduction.
- 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 Recycle Mobile could also be part of the 'float'. The Recycle Mobile will then be dropped at the Cookout area at end of parade route (Souhegan Boys and Girls club). We will need to have some trucks to pick up the shopping carts and one to pull the Recycle Mobile.

• The Committee would also like to recreate their original 'Operation Separation' mascot Trash Cannie. Kathy Parker may be willing to help design this. Rob Canty offered to wear the mascot costume in the parade.

4. **New Business**

- Tammy will send the Milford trash and recycling data for 2017 to the committee members. Gil requested a hard copy.
- George proposed working on a plastic Bag ban in Milford. We discussed George
 talking to some local store managers ie. drugstores, hardware stores about what
 they think about eliminating plastic bags. We can continue educational messages
 to broaden public understanding about the problems of plastics.
- Boomerang Bags NH has received a good deal of press recently which has spurred additional interest and new sewing volunteers.
- George has requested an extension of the MHS Graphic Arts redesign of 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.

Schedule of Future Recycling Education spotlights:

- June 2018 Paper & Cardboard Recycling educational presentation by Tammy Scott.
- July 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 follow-up with Mike McInerney
- Encourage residents to get a current Transfer Station sticker if they have one that has expired

Future Events

2018 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule

June 7, 2018 3-7 pm Nashua Public Works Garage

Aug 4, 2018 8am-12 noon Nashua Public Works Garage

Oct 6, 2018 8am-12 noon Nashua Public Works Garage

Nov 3, 2018 8am -12 noon Nashua Public Works Garage

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 June 19, 2018 at 6:30p will be held at the Milford Police Station.
- 7. **Adjournment: Jerry Guthrie** moved to adjourn the meeting. George Hoyt seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Celeste Philbrick Barr Secretary