

Milford NH Recycling and Solid Waste Committee Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2023

At Milford DPW

In Attendance:

Celeste Barr, Chair
Nancy Amato, Vice Chair (via zoom)
Mary Burdett, Secretary
Fred Hobbs
Gary Daniels (BOS rep)

1. **Opening.** The meeting was opened by Chairperson Celeste Barr at 6:30 p.m.

2. **Approval of Minutes** motion made to accept December minutes by Mary and seconded by Fred. All in favor. (Gary abstained)

3. Old Business

- A. Historical Data: George is continuing to work on this.
- B. Composting: Celeste updated committee that the composting bins are overflowing. We need to confirm process of food with leaves. Goal: rollout on Earth Day. Plan: discuss and confirm with Leo and Tammy: food with leaves, preferable spot. If decision is to use drums, Gary suggested to put them over by glass, cans for ease of flow.
- C. Communication to with schools and SAU: Diane Varney-Parker suggested 2/2, 2/9 or 2/23 to meet with her environmental group at MMS. Mrs. Boo is teacher advisor for MHS Environmental group and Mrs. DelGreco is teacher advisor for the MHS roadside clean up club. We have decided to start at the grassroots level with the schools. Mary is to let Diane know that the group would like to meet with MMS students on 2/2 with a back up of 2/9 at 245.
- D. Revolving fund: Gary updated committee on the 12/27 BOS meeting discussing our warrant article. It was a 4-1 vote in support of warrant article for revolving cash fund for transfer/recycling center: \$40,000 value. Gary advised discussion on re-wording on warrant article. The revolving fund is meant to be proactive not emergent maintenance.

4. New Business

- A. Celeste had put a post on our website regarding textile recycling. She had many inquiries as to where else in town there were bins. Celeste wrote to EcoSmith who responded that they would like to have more bins in town. Celeste forwarded this information to Diane VP at MMS.
- B. Future education: plan: do some education on "fast furniture". Discussed putting on social media/website: picture of furniture before, painted and after. Also discussed

highlighting cell phones, electronics, computer cartridges,. Discussed also posting on Milford event page and have posts go over to Milford Thrives page. Discussed brochures: need to replenish at area businesses and need to edit brochure to include textile recycling. Mary and Celeste to edit brochure.

- C. Celeste brought information from proposed transfer station and recycling facility conceptual design done in 2008 by Aries Engineering. Will further discuss at next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m. Fred motioned and Nancy seconded: all in favor.

5. Next meeting

The next meeting will be February 21, 2023, at 6:30 at the DPW.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Burdett, Secretary