

MINUTES FOR SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Monday, August 12, 2019

9:00 – 11:00 am, - Conference Room DPW

Theophilus F. Smith Road-South Dennis, MA. 02660

Members Present: Emma Brimdyr; Josh Brimdyr; Julia Johnson; Michele Kyrimes; Ralph Marcheselli; Jane Stevens; Marla Vincent; Remo Vito

Members Absent: Allyson Schmidt

Also Present: David Johansen, DPW Director; Chad Contonio, Transfer Station Foreman; Kari Parcell, Barnstable County/MassDEP Municipal Coordinator; Doug Wittmer, Dennis resident

The meeting was convened at 9:07 a.m.

1. The minutes of July 22 were read and approved.
2. Julia reported on the Bottle Ban subcommittee's meeting with Beach and Recreation and on the availability and practicability of alternatives such as Coca Cola's Dasani and Pepsi Cola's Aquafina water in aluminum cans or other packaging. Five Cape towns voted for the Sustainable Practices proposal as written. Others, like Dennis, decided to investigate to determine if, how and when to implement. Josh scheduled a meeting Tuesday, August 27 to discuss a proposal for October 29 Town Meeting.
3. Subcommittee Updates
 - Recycling & Waste Evolution: Members are researching and will meet later this week.
 - Swap Shop: This is for future discussion
 - Transfer Station Services: Report given on staffing, visibility, flow, and resident "commercial" use.
 - Plate Reader: Bonsai Logic, a local company, is the vendor. The plate reader, like the software company that handles sticker sales, is a Town cost. Whatever is done with a scale reader must involve the Town IT department. Harwich plate reader's efficiency was discussed.
 - Glass Recycling: Chad reported project already at 540 tons. Mashpee Barnstable, Harwich and Wellfleet have signed up and, Brewster and Orleans are in work.
 - Signage: Josh discussed with some members and will assemble information for subcommittee meeting.
 - Finance: Requested budget information needed for meeting. Josh requested storm debris cost. David advised that all Cape towns are required to submit an accident damage assessment to the Fed for possible reimbursement of up to 75%.
 - Redesign & Construction: David and Chad reported that the project is going well and the permit is in hand. Siding, septic systems, purchaser of scale house, and handicap accessible bathroom requirement are under discussion.
4. Meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michèle Kyrimes, Secretary
Solid Waste & Recycling Committee

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