



Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE: Thursday, February 10, 2022

TIME: 6:15 P.M.

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In attendance: Bob McHatton, Maureen Harpell, Sally Chappell Therese Johnson, Kate Fitzcharles, Donna Joss

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. by Chairperson, Sally Chappell. The minutes of the December meeting were approved.

Sally Chappell referred to the letter from Mr. Sawyer to the Committee regarding potential problems with PPB. Discussion followed.

Potential changes to the Transfer Station to make it more effective and efficient were discussed.

Composting at the Transfer Station and home composting were discussed.

Kate Fitzcharles' letter to the Bridgton News was discussed. Sally Chappell will send a 'thank you' letter to Wayne Rivet thanking him for the prominent placement of the excellent letter.

Discussion of the Remote Meeting Policy was postponed. The policy will be discussed at the February 24th meeting of the Committee. This will be a public meeting.

The Rotary initiative involving local high school students was discussed. Therese Johnson will contact Carol Rothenberg for further information and will report back to the Committee.

The Jan 25, 2022, PPB Zoom presentation to the Conservancy Resource Group by Therese Johnson and Donna Joss was discussed. Donna noted that the slide presentation, while excellent, needs to be narrated to be effective. Therese did a fine job of narration for the CRG.

Sally Chappell reported on the Ordinance Review Committee regarding the proposed PPB Ordinance. She noted that the Review Committee emphasized that the fee for bags for PPB will be set by the Select Board. Sally will confer with the Town Manager, Bob Peabody, before March 2, 2022, about making the recommended changes to the Ordinance, then present it at the Feb 22, 2022, Select Board meeting for the Board's approval.

Revisions to the PPB slide presentation to emphasize the environmental aspects and benefits of PPB were discussed.

A budget request to the Select Board for funds to educate and persuade the Bridgton community re: PPB was discussed. Included in the budget request will be funds for advertising in the Bridgton News and a mailing to @ 2,500 households in Bridgton.

Committee concerns were discussed including the need for a timeline for promoting PPB and getting it on the June Town Meeting Warrant; the letter initiated by Maureen Harpell to go to Hannaford's and Food City; and a future Compost show for LRTV.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by
Sally Chappell