Community Development Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 28, 2023

Members Present: Kevin Raday, Margaret Sanborn, Angie Cook, Evan Miller, Amy Stone, Al Bottone, Beth Cossey, Maggie Lynn, Greg Bullard

Others Present: Tori Hill, Keri Montague, Carrye Castleman-Ross, Bob McHatton, Maureen McDevitt and Recycling Committee, Gary Colello

Bridgton Transfer Station:

Are residents using compost piles, recycling, and stores?

Is signage effective enough?

Are commercial haulers using the correct transfer station? Are they sorting properly?

Select board report:

The Town will take over the Memorial School in the fall.

Farmer's Market License was renewed.

The select board approved the 2023 budget.

To have a haulers license in the town of Bridgton, you MUST recycle.

The commercial hauler fee for the town is \$100.

Anyone can go to the town website and click on the recycle button and it will give you tonnage rates for recycling for the month. Today it's 22%. September 2022 was 17%, which suggests summer visitors are not recycling.

Maggie suggests more adequate signage. Eco Maine has staff onboard just for education on recycling.

Earth Day is Saturday, April 22. Maybe a waste audit at dump and maybe launch new signage that day with some education.

Eco Maine offers grant money for recycling education.

Recycling committee looking into company, Agricycle, and would handle the compost pick up at the dump at a charge to the town.

David Madsen, Public Works Director:

3 haulers are currently licensed to dump at transfer station with no recent issues from them. Employees at the station are always looking for stickers. Even though they may not ask to see one.

RECYCLING COMMITTEE MEETINGS: 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH-ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS!

July 4th parade theme: UNDER THE BIG TOP!

Al moves to approve minutes from last three meetings, all in favor.

NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 12, 2023

Meeting adjourned.