

**Minutes**  
**Hazardous Waste/Recycling Committee**  
**Thursday, February 14, 2008**  
**North Branford Town Manager's Conference Room**

**Members Present:** Chairman Mary Bigelow, Thomas Scelfo, Lorane Black, David Bowen, Elizabeth Boissard, Frances Conant, Hank Petroskey, Barbara Hutchinson, Deborah Anderson and Purchasing Assistant Michelle Knockwood,

**Absent:** Jeanette Marshall and Kate Fleming

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Mary Bigelow called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Committee recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** The following amendment was made to the Minutes of the Meeting of January 10, 2008 by Thomas Scelfo, under item 7 – HazWaste Central/CT Solid Waste Management Plan Report it should read; Satellite Collection will take place at the HazWaste Center in New Haven on September 13, 2008 not in North Branford. Also, electronic collection in Wallingford...committee member's participation for the satellite (should be added) and TVES location should read Totoket Valley Park aka Public Works. Elizabeth Boissard made a Motion to approve the Minutes from the Meeting of January 10, 2008. Tom Scelfo seconded the Motion. Barbara Hutchinson abstained. Other members present were in favor; none opposed and the Motion was passed.
4. **Correspondence:**
  - "Keep America Beautiful" information.
  - Wal-Mart sent out coupons about used oil and oil filters that can be recycled at any of their Auto Centers.
  - Thank you card from David Rathbun
  - Northeast Resource Recovery Associates Conference will be held in Nashua, NH on June 9-10, 2008.
  - Celebrate Earth Day bags and coloring books.
  - Town of Bristol – Single Stream Recycling newspaper article.
  - Recycling promotions magazine.

**5. Report from Purchasing Assistant Michelle Knockwood:**

- Discussion of Future Dates for Electronics Recycling at Ciro Road Facility – Electronic Collection will be held on the first Saturday of the month; March, April and May.
- Status of 2008/2009 Budget – Nothing to report as of yet. Budgets will be discussed with in the next few weeks with Interim Town Manager, Michael T. Paulhus and Finance Director, Anthony Esposito. Michelle Knockwood will report figures at the next scheduled meeting.
- Leaf Collection – Is an ongoing problem! Michelle Knockwood would be talking with both Ferraro & Sons and Borrelli’s farm regarding residents dropping their leaves off at that site.

**6. HazWaste Central/CT Solid Waste Management Plan Report:** Tom Scelfo mentioned the CT Solid Waste is ongoing discussion “Pay as You Throw”. This commission feels this program will not be very successful in our Town.

**7. Discussion/Action Regarding Town’s Recycling Ordinance and Enforcement of Violations:** Tom Scelfo reviewed the Recycling Ordinance and Enforcement of Violations and rewrote some of the ordinance for the review of this commission.

**8. Open Items:**

*“Welcome Kits” Results:* None

*Results of February’s Paper Drop-Off Collection and Propane Tank Collection –* Mary Bigelow reported that in February 2008 there were 51 vehicles and 4 propane tanks were collected.

*Discussion Regarding Report to Town Council:* Lorane Black and Barbara Hutchinson will be representing this Commission the February 19<sup>th</sup> Town Council meeting.

*Discussion Regarding School’s Response to Letter:* A letter was sent to Robert Wolfe, Superintendent of Schools regarding that all Aseptic Products need to be rinsed out before they are placed in the recycle bins. Dr. Wolfe stated this would be an impossible task for the schools.

*Discussion Regarding Appointments:* A formal letter would be addressed to Town Council regarding reappointment of the Hazardous Waste and Recycling members.

Nancy Cianciulli, resident of North Branford has spoken to the Town Manager’s secretary regarding an interest to participate on this commission.

**9. Other Business:**

**Volunteers for March 2008 Paper Collection:** David Bowen and Barbara Hutchinson volunteered for the March Paper Collection.

**Future Articles for Totoket Times and The Sound:**

Electronic Satellite Collection on Ciro Rd for the months of March, April and May.

North Branford Businesses Going Green? And win a Regional Water Authority Family Recreation Permit.

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**Miscellaneous:** Deborah Anderson has volunteered to fill-in person for Barbara Hutchinson on writing articles, when help is needed. Hank Petroskey mentioned he will be attending the Potato Festival meetings, he mentioned he would like to see residents recycle more efficiently at this event.

**10. Citizen's Statement:** There were no citizens statements at this meeting.

**11. Adjournment:** There being no further business, Elizabeth Boissard made a motion, seconded by Barbara Hutchinson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. All were in favor, none opposed or abstained, and the Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gina A. Cox  
Substitute Clerk