

AGENDA MINUTES
HAZARDOUS WASTE/RECYCLING COMMITTEE
Thursday, May 13, 2010
Town Hall
7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mary Bigelow, Thomas Scelfo, Lorane Black, David Bowen, Hank Petroskey, Nancy Cianciulli, Daniel Armin and Arthur Feldman
Members Absent: Elizabeth Boissard, Deborah Anderson and Laura Magaraci

- 1) Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Chairperson Mary Bigelow.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
The Committee faced the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) Approval of Minutes of April 8, 2010.
Hank Petroskey moved, seconded by Nancy Cianciulli to approve the minutes of April 8, 2010, as amended, and the motion passed unanimously with Art Feldman abstaining.

Two guests, Donna Cordone and Dennis Libel (sp?) introduced themselves, sharing some background and their interest in joining the HazWaste/Recycling Committee. Each current member then introduced themselves and gave a brief history of their service to the Committee.

- 4) Correspondence
Mary Bigelow passed out only a few pieces of mail received, including a Resource Recycling Magazine and Biocycle Magazine.
- 5) Report from Purchasing Assistant, Michelle Knockwood:
Michelle reported that John's Refuse came in as lowest bidder on the trash bid at \$410,000.00 for both years, adding that there were only two bidders. Discussion followed regarding ending our contract with CRRA and hauling to John's hauling to Wallingford. Discussion then followed regarding the amount of refuse picked up during the bulk pick up this year and the cost of \$18,000.00. Michelle reported that James Chiapetta, a Scale Enforcement Officer from CRRA met with each municipality and handed out a sheet regarding recyclables and everything can now be placed in one bin. Discussion then followed regarding electronics recycling day and how often it should be scheduled. It was agreed that it should be next scheduled for the first Saturday in September.
- 6) Sub-Committee Reports:
Status of E-Waste Plan – Tom reported that the Regulation made its way through the process and the group rejected it without prejudice and then an announcement was

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made by DEP that they were going to try to get the corrections made to get on the May agenda, no notice came, so it looks like they'll be on the June agenda, so the process is inching it's way forward.

Discussion/Action Update of Town Recycling Ordinance – It was discussed and agreed Tom would review and updated the Ordinance again to add plastics 1-7 and then send it to John Gesmonde.

Welcome Kit- Elizabeth Boissard- Welcome Kit - Mary has 2 cards from the May 1st collection.

Answering Machine Information – Deborah Anderson was not present and there was no report on the answering machine.

School Liaison - Nancy and Hank reported that they won't have anything until the new school year. Dan stated that Jerome Harrison needs bins in the teacher's lounge. The question was asked, where did the bins go? As they were given to them about a year ago. It was also mentioned that there should be a large recycling dumpster at the schools and Dan will look into it.

Public Relations/Publicity & Articles – Laura Magaraci and Daniel Armin –
Wrap-up of North Branford Recycles Day, North Branford Clean-up Day
151 vehicles came to North Branford Recycles day, 111 told Art they were there to drop of electronics, 44 were going to drop off propane tanks and 6 were looking for furniture and Michelle reported that there are 50+ propane tanks to be picked up. North Branford Clean-up Day - Dan said it was alright - Hank guessed 20-30 people showed and there was no report in the Totoket times yet, Laura will be sending it to the media. Two people were recruited from the clean up to do volunteer for recycling.

Town Council Report – Dan is going to council meetings and he gave them a report on the Clean-up Day and Electronics Recycling before they occurred and he will be giving them feedback on how they went. He also wants to let them know there's an electronics collection coming up on the 22nd in Hamden and that they take everything at no charge, adding that it will be at the middle school on Dixwell Ave and locally we'll be doing it quarterly with the next one taking place on the 1st Saturday of the Sept.

Containers for Telephone Books – Containers for phone books - Dave said we're ok and he will make sure he gets a check prior to the next one in June.

Results of March Paper Drop-Off and Propane Collection – May 1 paper/propane
2 people came in, 1 without a card, 2 bins were purchased, 44 people who dropped off paper and 6 propane tanks were collected.

Book collection – Michelle said that the bind can be brought in now that the Certificate of Insurance has been received.

Leaf drop off – Leaf drop off - Lorane reported that she has some information, but hasn't typed up report yet.

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7) Other Business:

Discussion Regarding Appointments: remaining appointment – It was discussed that there is one appointment left and two interested people and the Committee will be asking the Town Council if we can increase our committee to 14 members, again, at no cost to the town, of course.

Volunteers for June 5, 2010 North Branford Recycles Day Paper Drop-Off: Dave and Lorane volunteered with Nancy as back up.

Volunteers for June 19, 2010 HazWaste Central - Dan, Nancy, Art, Donna and possibly Dennis, who is checking his schedule, and Nancy added that Laura always does it, she has been placed as back up.

Discussed followed regarding updating the website to remove sneakers and update the 2010 card with plastics 1-7.

CT Solid Waste Management Plan Advisory Committee Meeting - Mary reported that they talked about the bills they are 1/2 through, which had either made it through the House or the Senate. Different communities discussed what they are doing to educate people about single stream and recycling in general, including working with scraps and composting in schools.

8) Citizen's Statement: None

9) Adjournment

There being no further business, Arthur Feldman made a Motion, seconded by Daniel Armin, to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 p.m. All were in favor, none opposed, and the Motion passed.

Submitted by:

Meaghan T. Campbell, Clerk