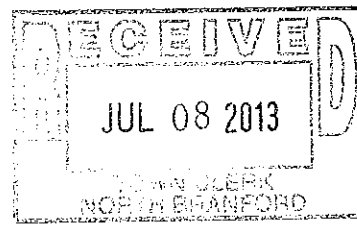


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## Minutes

Hazardous Waste/Recycling Committee  
Thursday, June 13, 2013  
Town's Manager's Conference Room

Members Present: Mary Bigelow, Liz Boissard, Donna Cordone, Deb Anderson, Tom Scelfo, Art Feldman and Michael Martin

Members Absent: David Bowen, Nancy Cianciulli, Hank Petroskey, Deb Ferraro

Guest:

1. Call to order: The meeting was call to order at 7:37 p.m. by Mary Bigelow.
2. Pledge of Allegiance: The committee faced the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approval of Minutes of May 9, 2013 – Art Feldman made a motion to approve the minutes of May 9, 2013, with some changes; seconded by Tom Scelfo; all were in favor. Liz Boissard abstained.
- 4 Correspondences: Resource Recycling Magazines
5. Report from Purchasing Assistant Michelle Knockwood – None at this time.
6. Sub-Committee:  
*School Liaison – Hank Petroskey* – Was absent but attached is an email regarding his report. Rebekah Polomeni at the high school is back as the Environmental Club Advisor. Pam Gery, Director of Parks& Recreation will be scheduling a meeting with Fran Merola, Andy Bozzuto and myself to discuss recyclables for this year's Potato Festival. The high school eco-fair was pretty quiet from our perspective. (attachment1)  
*Public Relations & Video Presentations: Art Feldman & Michael Martin* – Need to be accurate with times and dates. Need someone from town to make sure the E-Waste dates are correct. Still hoping to make a video – Art may be interviewed by Frank Mentone.



*Answering machine – Deb Anderson* – Will update the machine reflecting the E-Waste date has been changed. Question about propane tanks when we close the facility suggested we do it quarterly like E-Waste. Mike asked about the charge of \$1.00 for propane tanks and why! Tom and Deb explained the tanks can't be put out with scrap metal (not acceptable). Mike asked if the answering machine tells us how many people call the hotline; Deb mentioned it can't.

*Container for Phone Books, Goodwill box, Salvation Army box and Book Containers – Debra Ferraro* – Nothing to report. Mike did mention they were all empty when he worked the paper drop off.

*Publicity & Articles – Donna Cordone and Nancy Cianciulli* - Will keep advertising in The Sound, Totoket Times and Patch. The article for June will be information when the monthly recycling center is open and when HazWaste Central is open. And the E-Waste collection has been changed from July 6<sup>th</sup> to July 13<sup>th</sup>.

*Motion: Art Feldman made a motion to change the paper and E-Waste collection from July 6<sup>th</sup> to July 13<sup>th</sup>; seconded by Liz Boissard; all were in favor.*

August 24<sup>th</sup> and October 12<sup>th</sup> is the date for our town for the HazWaste will advertise regarding these two dates.

Idea for next press release: The State Facility will be closing. And will do a press release on Paint Drop Off Event which will be held on July 13 at the Hamden Middle School.

Three questions from Patch

Q - What's new in your department/committee?

A -There is an opening on this committee contact Town Manager's Office

Q – Something residents should know

A – We are planning on dissolving our monthly paper facility.

Q – What's your favorite thing about the Summer, 2013?

A- Cicadas

*Report on Earth Clean-up – Art Feldman*

Cleaned out the Parks – Deb will give waiver to Art later; Deb needed to know who needs them. There were 29 cheerleaders and 4 Marines and the Northford Scouts all volunteered. Deb Anderson mentioned in an email there was less trash and recycling last year mainly because there are many more containers around the parks. Most of the trash was found farther back in the park where there was only 1 older trash can. The majority of the recyclables bottles came from inside the baseball field dugouts followed by around the bleachers. (attachment 2).

The committee suggested that putting up a sign stating "Recycling is the Law!" Found lots of bottles again this year. The town didn't provided gloves; need to remind them next year we need them! Maybe talk to Park & Recreation about charging a fee for field if they are left with trash. Maybe go to a Park & Recreation meeting and show pictures.

*Report to Town Council* – Nothing at this time

*Report from June 1, 2013: 23 Vehicles, 4 propane tanks and \$4.00 was collected. We have been telling residents that the recycling center will be closing and they could put everything into their recycling totes.*

*Michael Martin made a motion to close the recycling center, on September 7, 2013; seconded by Liz, all in favor.*

7. Other Business:

*Volunteers for July 13, 2013 Recyclables Collection & E-Waste Collection– Tom Scelfo, Mary Bigelow, Art Feldman volunteered to work with backup people Michael Marin and Donna Cordone.*

*Discussion on future E-Waste Collections Dates:*

*The following dates for E-Waste will be: October 5<sup>th</sup>, January 4<sup>th</sup> and April 5<sup>th</sup>. Michelle Knockwood would need to coordinate with MeTech.*

*Set Date for North Branford Recycle Day:*

*Discussion to do the same day as E-Waste on October 5<sup>th</sup>. Mike will ask Fan Merola if we can do this.*

*Dates to Remember: Potato and Corn Festival August 1 thru August 4th.*

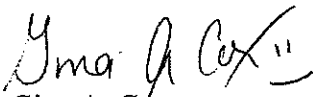
8. Miscellaneous:

*Mary at HazWaste meeting – long discussion about the paint collection will be a long process at HazWaste Central also talked about batteries; HazWaste Central may not be accepting them anymore.*

*Donna brought attention to the group about the incorrect date in The Sound @our March E-Waste, the time was incorrect. Donna will call The Sound and bring it to their attention.*

9. Citizen's Statement - None

10. Adjournment: Art Feldman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 pm; seconded by Tom Scelfo; all were in favor.



Gina A. Cox  
Recording Secretary

**Mary Bigelow**

attachment 1

**From:** Hank Petroskey <hpetroskey@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 13, 2013 9:28 AM  
**To:** 'Mary Bigelow'  
**Subject:** Meeting Report

Mary,

I will not be able to attend tonight's meeting.

A couple of things to report.

Rebekah Polomeni at the high school is back as env club advisor. She was out with lyme disease. I will pick up working with her again in the fall.

Pam Gery will be scheduling a meeting with Fran Merola, Andy Bozzuto, her, and me to discuss recyclables at this year's Potato Fest. Andy briefly mentioned at the HS eco-fair that he had some ideas.

The HS eco-fair was pretty quiet from our perspective. I guess the other tables were more interesting to visit.

Hank

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Hello All,

Six youth members of Troop 463 did Northford Park. I had the total bags of trash wrong. Trash accounted for the 5 small bags on the right. The large bag on the left was the recycling. The trash and recycling is far less than last year. I think this is because of the numerous trash and recycling cans in the park. Most of the trash was found farther back in the park where there was only 1 old style trash can (by the pavilion.) The majority of the recyclable bottles came from inside the baseball field dugouts followed by around the bleachers.

Debbie

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