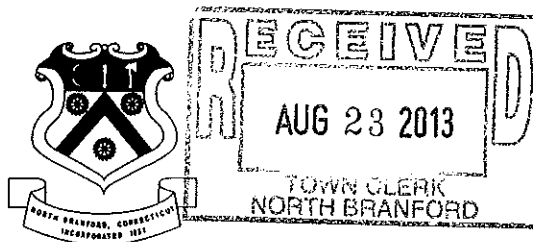


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## Minutes

Hazardous Waste/Recycling Committee

Thursday, July 11, 2013.

Town's Manager's Conference Room

Members Present: Mary Bigelow, Liz Boissard, Donna Cordone, Deb Anderson, Tom Scelfo, Art Feldman, David Bowen, Nancy Cianciulli, Hank Petroskey and Michael Martin

Members Absent: Deb Ferraro

Guest: Town Manager Michael Paulhus and Andrew Bozzuto (stopped by for 10 minutes)

Andy Bozzuto was attending another meeting in Town Hall and decided to stop in Hazardous Waste meeting. Andy Bozzuto mentioned more people are recycling; last year at this time it was 4 tons this year is up to 7 tons. Keep educating the residents that is very important! Andy mentioned he would like to see bulk twice a year instead of weekly. Construction material and brush are big issue in town – biggest problem is no where to dispose of either.

Andy mentioned at Potato Festival there will be 8 stations around the fair grounds. Each station will have three toters; at each station with the following toters will read – (1) Single Stream Recycling (all bottles, cans, glass, tin and plastics including wrappers & utensils and styrofoam); (2) Food Waste (All food waste including paper dishes, napkins and no utensils, no styrofoam); (3) Trash (whatever is left, place styrofoam here). (Picture attached)

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 June 13, 2013 – Art Feldman made a motion to approve the minutes of June 13, 2013; seconded by Liz Boissard; all were in favor with one abstain Hank Petroskey.
- 4 Correspondences: An article in the New Haven Register
5. Report from Town Manager Michael Paulhus – None at this time.
6. Sub-Committee:  
*School Liaison – Hank Petroskey* – Nothing to report. Hank mentioned he has had no luck with talking/meeting with the Superintendent, maybe it would be easier going through BOE.



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*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 regarding questions and answers, I understand you are busy Gina but this would eliminate some of the phone calls that come into your office!

Art mentioned John's signed contract with bulk weekly not twice of year, it should stay that way, resident will be too confused. There are times when bulk is out there for weeks. If John's does not want to do it weekly maybe quarterly!

Town Manager mentioned he can contact Brian West from CCM and see what surrounding towns are doing with their bulk and how often the bulk gets picked up in other towns.

*Answering machine – Deb Anderson* – Will update the machine the paper drop off center will be closing in September. The center will only be open quarterly for E-Waste collection at this time propane tanks and batteries will still be acceptable but no paper; all paper can go curb side.

*Container for Phone Books, Goodwill box, Salvation Army box and Book Containers – Debra Ferraro* – Deb Ferraro was absent but emailed Gina stating bins are fine.

*Publicity & Articles – Donna Cordone* - Will keep advertising in The Sound, Totoket Times and Patch. The article for July will be information when the monthly recycling center will be closing in September and when HazWaste Central is open. And the next E-Waste collection will be held on Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>.

Three questions from Patch

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

A – Paint collection

Q – Something residents should know

A – The new trash/recycling stations at the festival

Q – What are you doing to beat the hot?

A- Stay indoors or visit one of the town's cooling station.

*Report to Town Council* – That the Recycling Center will be closing as of September.

*Report on discussion with Public Works Director-Michael Martin* - Michael met with Fran Merola of Public Works and told Fran the center will be closing in September but will be opened quarterly for e-waste collection and will accept batteries, oil and tires at a fee at the same time as the e-waste collection. Fran thought that was a great idea and will make sure one or two public workers will be available at the quarterly e-waste.

7. Other Business:

*Volunteers for August 10, 2013 Recyclables Collection* – Liz Boissard and Hank Petroskey.

*Volunteer for HazWaste Central August 24, 2013:* Art Feldman (if not Mary Bigelow), Michael Martin and Tom Scelfo.

*Dates to Remember:*

E-Waste/paper collection – July 13, 2013

Potato and Corn Festival August 1 thru August 4<sup>th</sup>

HazWaste Central Hometown Day – August 24, 2013

SWAC textile Webinar/Meeting – Mary mentioned recycling is getting bigger and bigger. Now in the Goodwill boxes and the stores almost everything is recyclable.

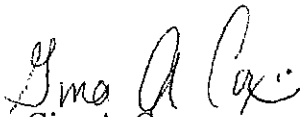
In 2011 the average person in Connecticut threw away an average of 55 pounds of clothing, shoes and linens – generating approximately 96,500 tons of trash. Ninety-five percent of these textiles could have been reused and recycled, saving disposal costs, creating job. Only 5% is disposed.

8. Miscellaneous:

Hank asked Town Manager about FOI procedures when it comes to emails what is the correct protocol. Town Manager mentioned the problem with emails is when most of the members respond that is an “unofficial” meeting but the Town Manager will check with CCM and will get back to the commission with the correct answer.

9. Citizen’s Statement - None

10. Adjournment: Liz Boissard made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 pm; seconded by Art Feldman; all were in favor.



Gina A. Cox  
Recording Secretary