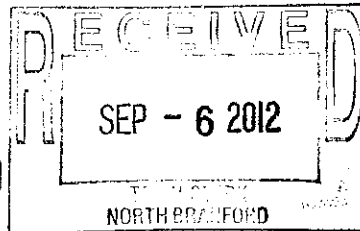


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Agenda Minutes HAZARDOUS WASTE/RECYCLING COMMITTEE Thursday July 12, 2012 Town Hall - 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mary Bigelow, Thomas Scelfo, Elizabeth Boissard, Hank Petroskey, , Donna Cordone, David Bowen, Deborah Anderson, Art Feldman, Abbie Walston and Michelle Knockwood

Members Absent: Nancy Ciancuilli

1) **Call to Order**

The discussion started 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 May 10, 2012** Hank Petroskey made a motion to approve the minutes of May 10, 2012 with a few corrections; seconded by Dave Bowen; all were in favor. Deb Anderson abstained.

4) **Correspondence:** None

5) **Report from Purchasing Assistant Michelle Knockwood:** Michelle told us the name of the interim town manager: Bonnie Therrien, who is very friendly and approachable. Bonnie would like updates from us to post on the town website, weekly. Michelle updated us on the trash/recycling contract with John's Refuse. It is not signed yet but things are moving according to schedule. We are going to have fully automated waste removal and each household will receive two 96 gal containers. They will be different colors and each marked for trash or recycling. The schools will be using the new system in September, 2012 and the town households will start Jan 1, 2013. Tom Scelfo informed Michelle that the DEEP requires approval for any solid waste contracts.

Michelle handed out a report on fluorescent bulb collection from our municipal and education buildings and stated we collected 4,158 lbs of e-waste at our April 7, 2012 electronics collection. Art informed the committee that there is still a leaf sign at the old drop off site on rt 17. Michelle will ask Fran Merola to remove it.



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6) Sub-Committee Reports:

School Liaison – Hank Petroskey– Hank sent an email to the high school and TVES teachers concerning a recycling contest in the fall. He will contact them again before school starts.

Public Relations – Art Feldman – Art still needs to talk to Gina about the most frequently asked questions about recycling and hazardous waste so our committee can make a question and answer video. He is still contacting the Cable Access with updates from our committee about events.

Welcome Kit- Elizabeth Boissard- Liz reported that she sent out 8 cards for June. We will continue to send cards until Nov 2012 and then reassess the need since the town is going automated.

Answering Machine Information – Deborah Anderson – Deb said she will update the message to include our e-waste collection date on October 6, 2012. Michelle will confirm with We Recycle.

Bin Row Containers – David Bowen – Dave stated all the bins were ok but the Got Books organization needs at least 2 weeks lead time to empty their container. Michelle said she has not seen any other checks since our original one from Got Books.

Publicity & Articles – Donna & Nancy – Donna continues to send press releases to The Totoket Times, The Sound and Patch.com . In the next issues she will emphasize the impressive #'s from the April ewaste collection and the upcoming change to our trash/recycling pick up. We might try to advertise looking at the new totes at John's Refuse booth at the potato festival after Hank speaks to Andy Bozzuto.

Report Town Council – Michelle will ask interim town manager to mention the April e-waste statistics.

Report on July 7, 2012 E Waste/Recyclables Collection- Art stated 47 cars came to drop off paper, 100 cars dropped off electronics, 5 cell phones were collected and \$14 was collected from propane tanks.

Solid Waste Contract – Not signed. Tom shared information from a meeting he attended. Manufacturers of alkaline batteries will now recycle them on their own. Latex paint recycling is ongoing and expected to be implemented by early 2013. Vendor process for ewaste recycling opens in August again so new recyclers could be added to the list by Jan 2013.

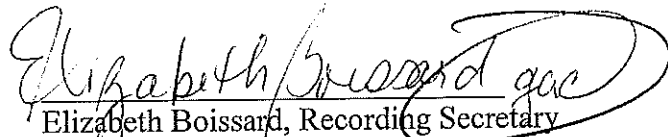
7) Other Business:

- **Status regarding future appointments** We still have 2 vacancies. Debbi Ferraro may join in the fall and Dave Bowen has a friend who may be interested.
- **Volunteers for August 12, 2012 Paper Drop**
Donna and Deb volunteered; Dave Bowen will be back up.
- **Hazwaste Central volunteers for August 25, 2012** Liz and Tom volunteered.
- **Sign Status** Art showed the 2 new signs he installed at the paper drop off building. Thanked Michelle and Pete Deyo for their assistance. We all agreed they look great.

8) Miscellaneous: Art mentioned his mother is very ill in FL and may not be available for awhile.

9) Citizen's Statement

10) Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45p.m.


Elizabeth Boissard, Recording Secretary
Hazardous Waste/Recycling Committee