

Report on Data Collection at Transfer Station 9/27/2018

In attendance: Eric, Gabe, Anna, Amy, Pat

Single Stream:

- 1. Single Stream is operational; Kenny managing carefully. It has been determined that all recyclables collected at the Transfer Station have to go to EcoMaine (part of the contract). This means that cardboard cannot be sold off separately. The waxy bait cardboard could, because it is not accepted by EcoMaine, but no good stuff can be added to it to make it more attractive. Eric will investigate the bait cardboard problem further.
- 2. Despite our careful question and answer period, there are still many questions that remain about what is acceptable. Anna is making a repository of questions; Pat will make a photo book (if it works) of yeses and nos that people could look at when they come.
- 3. Opening Day celebrations will be on the 14th; no food will be offered but EcoMaine will have give aways. Pat should confirm the 14th is OK with Lissa. Will miss Anna, but the holiday weekend would have taken out even more of the committee.
- 4. We will be asking the Selectmen to make recycling mandatory for Town departments.
- 5. Need a sign on the compactor that it must be clean, and when in doubt, throw it out.

Composting:

- 1. Composting is to start on this next weekend. Eric is to get more horse manure from Bruce.
- 2. Need a sign on the compost

Future: We are at a bit of a turning point, with two big parts of our work underway, although not finished. Going forward:

- 1. Gabe to head up outreach on single stream.
- 2. Anna to continue recruiting for composting and overseeing its production
- 3. Pat to continue to work on transfer station revenue producing some information from the data collection and improving the software
- 4. Amy On to swap shop and deposit bottles! Lots of room in the main office now.....
- 5. Eric Waste to Energy research as the solid waste contract is expiring this fall.

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 10, 2018 Public Safety Building 6 PM