Meeting Minutes 5/07/2018



In Attendance: Gabe McPhail, Eric Davis, Amy Lear, Hillary Bunker, Anna Poe, Pat Lundholm

- Waste Watcher Strategic Plan Following our session on the strategic plan of a week ago, Hillary had looked up some definitions – the idea being that it might be obvious what our named values mean to us, but not necessarily to others, and we should know what a purveyor of the dictionary might find. Gabe is still working on the write up of what we did.
- 2. **Composting at transfer station:** The site is prepped and the exactics are to be set up this weekend. Once we have a contract with Eco Maine, we can get 20 give away buckets for home compost. Anna and Josh will work on it this weekend, and if they need/want help, will call.
- 3. **Composting at school**: That is in the process of being set up by Peter Richards.
- 4. A new name for the Transfer Station? resource recovery station?
- 5. **Trash Talk** We confirmed that our May Trash Talk will be coffee and desserts at the Union Church on Wednesday, May 23, starting at 6. We can get in to the church at 4. We will do an overview of the transfer station, and where what is collected goes. We will also introduce single stream recycling and talk about how important it is for the recyclables to be as clean as they are now. There will certainly be questions about the state of recycling in the nation, and with Eco Maine, and what happens to the plastic if it is not recycled. We will all have a discussion/demo/ some presentation about our individual passions in reducing waste or reducing costs. Gabe drew the short straw on preparing the basic presentation, as she already has so much of the strategic plan on her computer.

Waste Watchers supports the Town of Vinalhaven in its efforts to reduce solid waste, increase recycling, and reuse as much discarded material as possible, with the goal of lowering financial and environmental costs incurred at the Transfer Station.

Next Meeting: will be 6:00 5/14/18 at the Public Safety Building. Dedicated to Strategic Plan