

Meeting Minutes 5/15/2017

In Attendance: Anna Poe, Chair, Amy Lear, Gabe McPhail, Pat Lundholm. Absent Del Webster

1. Gabe worked on our logo during the meeting. She issued the Wind format and other following the meeting.
2. Facebook is not yet resolved, but we will start the public promotion with the Wind that is put together on May 23. By planning it a week ahead of time, we can then share it with Kenny, Luther, and Michael so they can have input, and not read it first in the Wind or hear about it from a customer. The first article is an introduction to the committee. **To Do: Pat** to take a copy to the Transfer Station, and talk with Kenny about how this will work. **To Do: Gabe** to do "the numbers" for next meeting's approval.
3. Amy has tried to reach Heather White at the school about school/student involvement but has not heard back from her yet.
4. Anna has had good conversations about composting with Mark King, who is very willing to help. He suggests a "compost team" (are we enough?) and getting some sense of how much food scrap is available.
 - a. It is known/believed that both The Haven and Salt already compost their food scraps (John and Sarah – do they have a place now?)
 - b. Gabe made the point that if your heart is already there, it's easy for a business to separate meat and fat out of the other, but if not, even though there might be a cost savings in garbage, the difficulty of adding one more thing to manage might not be appealing. She suggested that we wait to contact such businesses until we really know what we want.
 - c. Anna is pretty sure that Mark is suggesting for us the slow composting (since we don't have the volume), which would preclude meat and fat from going into the mix. He suggested that we do a waste audit, a characterization study, so we can make the right choices.
 - d. Mark King is available in the next two weeks to come out; however, we didn't think we were quite ready for him.
5. Pat volunteered to attend the Selectmen's meeting the following night, completely forgetting a training session at the same time. Gabe attended the meeting.