



Meeting Minutes 11/06/2017

In Attendance: Anna Poe, Eric Davis, Pat Lundholm, Del Webster

1. Single Stream Progress – Request for Proposal: At the Selectmen’s meeting when they gave preliminary approval of the move to single stream, we had asked that Andy get hold of a container salesman by November 1 to advise us on the layout and/or provide costs. Andy has not had the time to get this done, and sees no time in the immediate future. He has given us his blessing to develop a Request for Proposal that we can then get approved for issuance to the key suppliers. Maguire and Atlantic Recycling were the names Lissa Bitterman (Eco Maine) gave us. Eric has talked with South Thomaston as well, and they purchased a refurbished unit that would have come from Walmart or another large retailer. **To Do:**
 - a. **Pat** to get specs from South Thomaston and North Haven if they will provide them and present a draft of the RFP by next meeting. Andy’s recommendation is that we have a permanent compactor; South Thomaston recommended an internal one because it is more effective at compacting and cleaner.
 - b. **Anna** to check with Lissa to see if she knows what size we will need (Vinalhaven is neither South Thomaston nor North Haven.)
2. Winter Trash Talk Series:
 - a. The first talk will be on composting, at home, with Mark King on January 18th. Still to be decided is whether or not it should be held at the school, the church, or the Town Office. **To Do: Anna** is about done with her outside work and will be making contact with Hillary Webster at the school to get more details on her commitment level and energy.
 - b. We talked a bit about advertisement for the series: some of us regrettably missed the kelp talk because we didn’t know about it – spending energy on communication is still a priority. **To Do, if time: Amy** to put in a Save-the-Date in this week’s Wind as a starter.
 - c. Community survey at the transfer station: cold feet this week! Not happening....
3. Plastic Bag Ordinance remains on our to do list:
 - a. Nick Farago is interested in writing some Wind articles on plastic. **To Do: Gabe** to stay in touch and bring his articles to the committee.
 - b. **Gabe and Nick** to gather plastic bag ordinances from other towns.
 - c. **Pat** to find out how any plastic 1 to 7 is used in this country (as opposed to sending to China, which is no longer happening). Trec?
4. **Improving signs at transfer station:** Pat looked at the recycling brochure and realized it needs updating. We talked about putting the locations of where you put what on the brochure, and then making a blow up of the sign for the transfer station. To Do: Pat to update and bring to next meeting.
5. **Nails:** Anna has heard from more than one person about tire punctures at the burn pile. **To Do: Del** to investigate the tools to pick up nails and their cost.

Future: moving ash, metal, fridges;