



Meeting Minutes 4/02/2018

In Attendance:

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

1. **Transfer Station Software** – at last week's BSP meeting, the software project was given an enthusiastic endorsement. Preceded by Eric who explained the purpose and necessity of the project to Kenny and Luther, Pat was able to do a demo, and start training. As it was Easter, there was very little traffic, but enough to see some unforeseen complexities that Pat will work on before next week.
2. **Composting: Grant** — **Gabe** obtained a grant of \$500 for supplies for the composting project at the Transfer Station. Vinalhaven Land Trust is preparing its spring newsletter and offered Waste Watchers a couple of paragraphs. **Anna** will write this, recruiting more participants for the project.
3. **Returnable Bottles at Transfer Station** – **Gabe** confirmed with BSP that they had approved the collection of returnables by Eldercare. **Amy** to follow up on this with appropriate parties.
4. **Trash Talk** — We confirmed that our May Trash Talk will (over dinner) introduce the plan (following approval by the selectmen) We will all have a discussion/demo/ some presentation about our individual passions in reducing waste or reducing costs.
5. **Waste Watcher Strategic Plan** – **Gabe** led us on our opening discussion, where we reflected on our first year's journey and accomplishments, and fleshed out a revision of our mission:

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 4/09/18 at the Public Safety Building. Dedicated to Strategic Plan