



## Meeting Minutes 07/17-24/2017 + notes

In Attendance at at least one meeting: Amy Lear, Anna Poe, Gabe McPhail, Del Webster, Eric Davis, Pat Lundholm, Courtney, Nick

1. Website: Minutes are posted on the website now.
2. Courtney and Nick are interested in joining the committee; they were invited to get on the communications list by sending their emails to the waste watchers email.
3. Single Stream: Gabe has learned that midcoast solid waste is switching to single stream. At a site visit shetook photos of some of their signage, and her contact, Pat, says the signage is key (see attached). Gabe also noted that Kenny has been making signs, which are clear and easy to read, so we will hold off on bin signs.
  - a. Colored glass and clear glass do not need to be separated, as we do now. Gabe will confirm that.
  - b. Midcoast says that our paper recycling is quite low
  - c. Midcoast says that we have a lot of recyclables in our glass. (This requires discussion on how to reduce this).
  - d. Gabe says that single stream accepts plastic bags with the recycling symbol on them (although we've been told multiple times that they clog up the process). More investigation: would Walmart or Shaws take ours if the above is not correct? **Anna** to find out where they send their bags.
4. Layout: Lots of discussion again; Pat has yet to build the model. We need the model!
  - a. Also need to know the space needed for the single stream bin and compactor. **To Do: Pat** to ask Andy. Andy says treat it the same as trash with compactor.
  - b. **Eric** to find out what the white building is at the eastern (?) end of the transfer station.
  - c. Is the transfer station building moveable? Or spinnable, to stay connected to current plumbing? It's in the way!
5. Demo and trash are treated the same by Waste Management, but demolition costs more and we should get more to take it.
  - a. Eric brought up refrigerators and freezers, which he and others have seen in the white goods pile. He remembers that they need to be treated separately, as the Freon needs to be removed and each unit certified. **Eric** to investigate.
6. Wind – there's been a lapse of a week or two. Anna to get ad to Pat for Tuesday dropoff; also Amy's short bit.
7. Break! – Taking two weeks off – July 31 and August 7 for meetings; resume August 14 prior to Mark King's trip on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Think of questions for Mark. If we compost 5 cubic yards of food compost/month we need a license.