

Hopkinton Recycling Committee Minutes

29 March 2006

In attendance: Tom Drechsler, Kevin Korht, Phillip Butler, Katrina Glidden

Minutes

- 1) Meeting began at 7:35 pm
- 2) Welcomed new member Phil Butler & prospective member Katrina Glidden. Phil brings a background in construction & construction-recycling to the Committee.
- 3) Voted to accept minutes from last meeting
- 4) Tipping numbers – reviewed collection methodology & charts
- 5) Marathon Committee
 - Reviewed collection scheme.
 - Acquired liners from Lancaster Packaging, 1 case / 50 bags for \$42.00.
- 6) Board of Health mercury reduction initiative
 - Reviewed the history of the program.
 - First full bin at Hitchings was to have been collected by the Board of Health (BoH) & transported to the Fruit St. collection site, until enough material is gathered to make it worthwhile for Onyx to pick it up. There is a \$50 minimum pickup charge.
- 7) Bins, Parks and Rec
 - A collection plan with Parks & Rec defining responsibilities has yet to be established to ensure the park bins get moved to the curb for pickup.
 - Do the Pyne soccer fields get trash pickup? Could they get recycling pickup as well? Tom to contact Parks & Rec.
 - Does the Highway Dept have 55-gal drums for trash bins to be used at EMC park? The bins there today are light & get blown around. The lack of swinging top bins means it's more convenient to put trash into the recycling bins. Tom to contact Mike Mansir. There are drums at Wood St.
- 8) Grant Status
 - A distribution plan needs to be developed for the 50 30-gallon rolling bins we have received. It was proposed that they be offered through the senior center free of charge to seniors, & to others at a fee.
 - The delivery date is unknown at this time, but is projected for early summer.
- 9) Communication & Outreach:
 - The Garden Club spring sale is coming, & we'd like to repeat last year's display of a compost bin. Katrina volunteered to contact the club.
 - There are organizations that re-use working PCs & we should post them on the website. Tom to research & get the names posted.
 - The DPW will be sending a flyer through the Hopkinton Independent posting the Haz-Mat collection day & the e-waste pickup at the drop-off center. We would also like to advertise the mercury / fluorescent bulb collection. Tom to contact JT.

- Jim Cozzens has suggested that we produce a ½ hour show monthly? For recycling, & a number of ideas were discussed for content & to tie in other groups. Phil will contact the schools to see if there are groups that would be interested in working on a project through the summer & into next year, i.e Recycling Club, Video Club.

10) Haz Mat Collection Day will be Sat, June 3. Volunteers from the Committee are requested.

11) Next meeting will be Wed., 4/19/2006

Adjourned: 9:35pm