

## Minutes, Hopkinton Recycling Committee, 12-9-04

By: T.Drechsler

Attendees: Tom Drechsler; Kimber Barton; Kevin Kohrt;

### Discussion:

1. Approved minutes from 11/4/2004
2. Charter discussion deferred.
3. Reviewed incoming mail, notices from Selectmen, brochures: N?A
4. Reports
  - a. Corrugated initiative / Redeployment of mandatory recycling
    - Any residual business:  
*no known issues or feedback from DPW, BFI or Selectmen*
  - b. Tipping Numbers: Reviewed, down across the board for October
  - c. Bins
    - Compost bins  
*Need to promote sales, not much interest at the recycling center. (Post meeting follow up: Can we post a notice in the Independent that winterized compost bins are available at the Dropoff Center?)*
    - Distribution of covered paper bins: *No change*
    - Wheeled bins for commingled recycling at schools & parks & fields.  
*Recommended action be tabled until the spring. Parks & Recs can still be contacted for a proposal (Tom). They meet 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed every month.*
    - Status of research into curbside wheeled bins.  
*Tom received one sample with a bolt-on wheel set, will add it to a bin. Does not appear that it would take a load (of newspapers for example). Kevin has contacted the supplier for Hop DPW bins about wheel kits & bin covers, which they have. Need to get a sample.*
  - d. Grant status: *No change*
  - a. Planning for 10th anniversary of curbside recycling. **No change**
  - b. Website development: Kevin to follow up with Jim Cozzens to create a new page based upon the flyer & the data we collect.  
*A new web page has been developed but is not on-line as yet. Looks great!*
  - c. Follow-up:
    - What about pickup of hard cover books? **No change**
    - BFI recycling truck for the Horribles parade? **No change**

- What are the plans for the Drop-off Center after Harvey completes its changes?

*DPW director J.T. Gucher has indicated to Paul DiBona that part of the Harvey plans calls for securing the dropoff area.*

- Contact the condo / rental units in town to see what they are providing for recycling. Do they need help in setting up recycling bins? **No change**

5. New Business

- a. E-trash dumping at the dropoff: what measures can be taken to prevent & divert the material?

*Paul DiBona & J.T. Gaucher are working with Harvey to start a program to collect monitors & other e-trash.*