

## **BURRILLVILLE RUBBISH AND RECYCLING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Place: Town Hall Annex, 144 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, RI  
Meeting Date: February 7, 2011  
Meeting Time: 7:00 PM

### **Members Present:**

Colleen Joubert, Vice Chair	Andrea Hall, Recycling Coordinator
Robyn Volpini, Secretary	David Place, Town Council Liaison
Greg Mislick	Steve Rawson, Town Council Liaison
Allison Gelfuso	

**Other Members Present:** None

### **Members Absent:**

Christine Mulligan

**Public Comment:** None.

- 1) That the question of approving minutes of the regular meeting of the Burrillville Rubbish and Recycling Committee held on January 10, 2011 and the question of dispensing with the reading of said minutes; be now taken up. Robyn Volpini motioned to approve minutes. Motion was seconded by Greg Mislick and unanimously approved.

### **New Business to be considered and acted on:**

- 2) Discussion/action relative to meeting held with Coastal Recycling about their poor performance. Coastal purchased two new GPS units. Once installed, Andrea Hall will have the ability to track them. Andrea forwarded resident complaints to Coastal per their request. Andrea has so far been receiving reports back from them rectifying the complaints. Andrea also met the new route supervisor, Carl.
- 3) Review of Monthly statistics. We haven't seen much change yet in the recycling rates, it is still too early.
- 4) Discussion/action relative to EPA Grant. Greg Mislick will take a look at it, if he feels it's appropriate, he will pass it along to Tom Kravitz.

### **Unfinished Business to be considered and acted on:**

- 5) Discussion/action relative to appointment of new committee member. This is in progress according to David Place. The Screening Sub Committee received Donald Fox's resignation letter.

- 6) Discussion of feasibility of converting to in-house refuse pickup. Tabled until next month.
- 7) Discussion of Committee tour of RIRRC. We will look to plan a trip in the spring once the open position has been filled.
- 8) Discussion/action relative to expending recycling funds to host a shredding/recycling event and sponsoring school or BEC field trips to RIRRC. There should be funds for it. If schools don't schedule trips maybe the BWC can. Andrea Hall will ask Mike Wood about the funds and go from there. Robyn Volpini mentioned that it would be nice to get the schools involved with a town-wide Earth Day cleanup and that way, encourage households to take part in cleanup.
- 9) Discussion/action relative to community outreach.
  - a). Letter to Farmers' Market Association regarding selling recycling bins at Manager's table. Robyn Volpini will speak to individuals on the Farmers' Market Association.
  - b). Discussion/action relative to forming a Youth Litter Patrol. Steve Rawson will look into the possibility of funding for this project.
  - c). Discussion/action relative to involving small businesses in recycling effort. There is some interest in this, however we would need to look into the feasibility of it.
  - d) Utilization of display areas at the Jesse Smith Library. A recycling display is currently being worked on.

David Place asked if we thought about having someone from the School Committee/dept. attend some of our meetings.

Greg Mislick made a motion for the Rubbish and Recycling committee to send a letter to the School Dept. (on behalf of the Town Council) inviting them to participate on a regular basis in our meeting. This motion was seconded by Robyn Volpini and unanimously approved.

Steve Rawson asked about the recycling efforts at Levy skating rink. David Place will talk to the individual in charge of the rink.

David Place asked about the recycling efforts at Spring Lake? Steve Rawson will work on finding out information about that.

- 10) Review and discuss the items proposed for future meetings.

David Place mentioned that he will work to contact the recycling coordinator of Swansea, MA in order to collect information on their program.
- 11) Adjournment. Meeting was adjourned at 8:39pm. It was motioned by Greg Mislick, seconded by Robyn Volpini and approved unanimously.

Minutes approved by:

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Robyn Volpini, Secretary

Date:

Date filed with Town Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_