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MEETING of the Burrillville Rubbish and Recycling Committee to be held Monday, September 26, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. at the Town Hall Annex, 144 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, RI.

Members Present: Donald Blanchard, Colleen Joubert, Robyn Volpini, Andrea Hall, Recycling Coordinator, Town Manager or designee.

Other Members Present:

Members Absent:

Public Comment:

- 1) That the question of approving minutes of the regular meeting of the Burrillville Rubbish and Recycling Committee held on August 22, 2011 and the workshop held September 14, 2011; and the question of dispensing with the reading of said minutes; be now taken up.
- 2) Introduction of new Committee member Donald Blanchard.
- 3) Election of Officers
- 4) Discussion of current recycling statistics
- 5) Discussion/action relative to preparation for a presentation of options for future rubbish and recycling programs to be made to the Administration and Town Council; and scheduling of next workshop.
- 6) Discussion/action relative to Think Green tour of RIRRC and Blackstone River
- 7) Discussion/action relative to Recycle-Bowl
- 8) Discussion/action relative to community outreach:
 - a) Pascoag Utility District Green Festival held September 17, 2011
 - b) Other special events
- 9) Review and discuss items proposed for future meetings
- 10) Adjournment

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BURRILLVILLE RUBBISH AND RECYCLING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Place: Town Hall Annex, 144 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, RI
Meeting Date: August 22, 2011
Meeting Time: 6:30 PM

Members Present:

Colleen Joubert, Vice Chair	Andrea Hall, Recycling Coordinator
Robyn Volpini, Secretary	Greg Mislick
Christine Mulligan	

Other Members Present: Don Blanchard

Members Absent:

David Place, Town Council Liaison Steve Rawson, Town Council Liaison

Public Comment: None.

- 1) That the question of approving minutes of the regular meeting of the Burrillville Rubbish and Recycling Committee held on June 27, 2011, the workshop held July 11, 2011 and the special meeting held August 4, 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 Christine Mulligan and unanimously approved.
- 2) Discussion of memo from Screening Subcommittee regarding new Committee member. The Screening Subcommittee voted to recommend appointment of Donald Blanchard to the Rubbish and Recycling Committee.
- 3) Review and discuss June and July recycling statistics. Recycling rate came down since January of this year but has gone up approximately 2% since June 2009.
- 4) Discussion/action of WasteZero presentation and next steps. It would be nice to see proceeds from this go back to the town somehow, i.e. keep Whipple Ave facility free/ extend hours of operation, be able to drop off more types of things there, or lower price of bags. We will wait for more information from Andrea on where to go with this, once she meets with Mike Wood on September 1.

Andrea Hall and Christine Mulligan will be going to RIRRC later this week to accept a check on behalf of the Town for our profit sharing. Colleen Joubert said that she would like to have PR on this event.

- 5) Discussion/action relative to Think Green Grant. October 1, 2011 is the date for Burrillville where 'Keep America Beautiful' will offer a trip on the Blackstone River as well as a tour of RIRRC. Transportation will also be provided.

6) Discussion/action relative to community outreach:

a). Discussion/review of shred event held on August 13. There was not a high turnout. Driver from Shred It noted that the first year there is typically not a high turnout. 1200 pounds of paper were collected. We did a informal survey of the residents that came to get their papers shredded in order to find out how they found out about it. The signs as well as the Bargain Buyer ad proved effective. Also we collected emails so we can let interested residents know when the next shredding event is. There were some people who walked over from Ashton Court with their paper to be shredded. A possibility for next year is spend two hours in one spot, i.e. Levy School Parking lot, then go to Ashton Court, Stillwater, Bradford, etc. Also, the employee from Shred It made several suggestions such as donated items such as refreshments, or items to be raffled in order to attract more residents to the event.

b). Pascoag Utility District Green Festival to be held September 17, 2011. Robyn Volpini made a motion to the Rubbish and Recycling Committee be present at this event. Motion was seconded by Andrea Hall and all approved. Andrea Hall plans to have a craft table for the children featuring a recycled craft and provide recycling bins (one of each) for the raffle. We will also plan on selling recycling bins.

c). Other special events. We could put together a calendar featuring all special events having to do with recycling, i.e. shredding event.

7). Review and discuss items proposed for future meetings. Special events calendar for 2012, apply for grants to get recycling bins in schools.

8 Adjournment. Meeting was adjourned at 7:58. It was motioned by Christine Mulligan. Motion was seconded by Greg Mislick and approved unanimously.

Minutes approved by:

Robyn Volpini, Secretary

Date:

Date filed with Town Clerk: _____

SPECIAL MEETING of the Burrillville Rubbish and Recycling Committee held Wednesday September 14, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. at the Town Hall Annex, 144 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, RI.

Members Present: Colleen Joubert, Robyn Volpini, Christine Mulligan, Andrea Hall, David Place, Greg Mislick, Steve Rawson

Other Members Present: None.

Members Absent: Don Blanchard

The purpose of this workshop is to review data and research in preparation for a presentation of options for future rubbish and recycling programs to be made to the Administration and Town Council.

We discussed the many variables of PAYT programs. Some of the variables we need to consider more are bag prices, partial PAYT vs. full PAYT and whether or not it could include automated pick up. If partial PAYT were considered, we would need to recommend number of bags allowed/week. We still need to gather more information on automated, including price of bins.

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RIRRC Municipal Customer Monthly Summary: Burrillville - August 2011



Municipal Cap Summary:

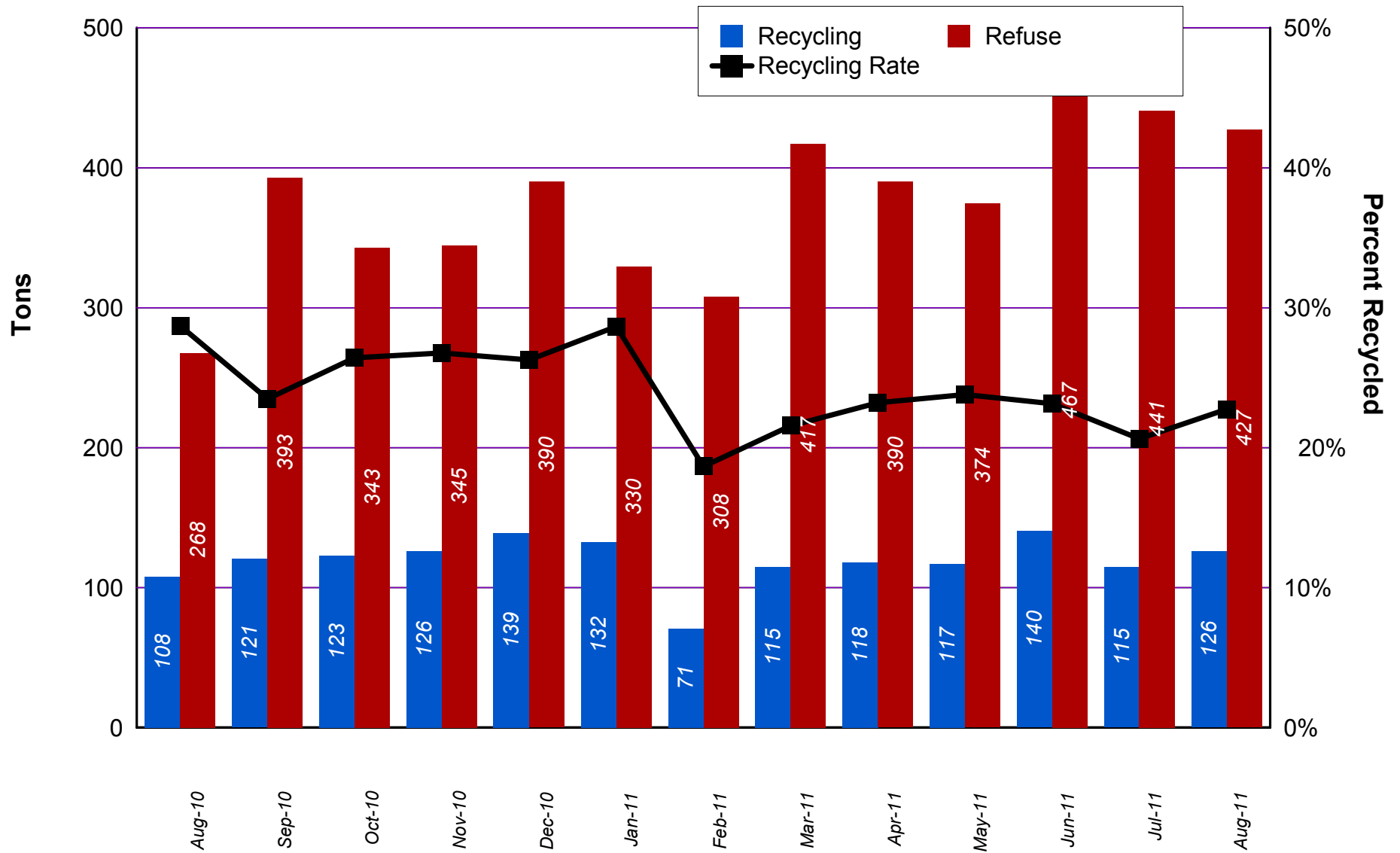
For the current fiscal year, as of August 31, 2011, Burrillville has tipped 868 tons (16.3%) of its 5,320 ton cap, and has delivered 240 tons of recyclables to the MRF, for a MRF Recycling Rate of, 21.7%.

13 Month Material Summary By Customer Account

Material (Code): Account	Aug-10	Sep-10	Oct-10	Nov-10	Dec-10	Jan-11	Feb-11	Mar-11	Apr-11	May-11	Jun-11	Jul-11	Aug-11	12 Mnth. Total
COMPOSTABLES	2	11	29	56	16	3	0	0	10	11	10	7	5	156.48
CHRISTMAS TREES (313): BURR932721	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
LEAF/YARD DEBRIS (312): BURR932721	2	11	29	56	16	0	0	0	10	11	10	7	5	153
PLASTIC	1	3	2	3	1	0	0	0	2	5	1	5	2	24.47
MIXED RIDGID PLASTICS (830): BURR158655	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
MIXED RIDGID PLASTICS (830): BURR932721	1	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	2	5	1	5	2	22
RECYCLEABLE MATERIALS	109	122	125	128	139	134	71	115	122	119	144	116	129	1,462.05
MATTRESSES, BOX SPRINGS (330): BURR932721	1	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	4	2	3	1	3	20
MAX MUN RECY IN - MIXED (712): BURR158655	49	51	52	55	57	71	34	44	48	46	60	50	50	614
MAX MUN RECY IN - MIXED (712): BURR932022	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	6
MAX MUN RECY IN - PAPER (711): BURR158655	56	63	64	71	80	56	32	64	67	65	70	63	74	768
MAX MUN RECY IN - PAPER (711): BURR932022	2	7	6	0	3	5	6	5	3	5	10	2	2	53
SOLID WASTE	268	393	343	345	390	330	308	417	392	374	467	441	427	4,624.79

ENVIRONMENTAL/LITTER CLEAN-UP (401): BURR932721	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
MUNICIPAL WASTE (201): BURR932022	0	30	25	0	56	26	26	26	26	3	56	26	26	329
MUNICIPAL WASTE (201): BURR932721	268	363	318	345	334	303	281	391	364	372	410	414	401	4,295
TIRES	0	9	4	2	0	0	0	0	3	3	3	3	4	31.57
TIRES (307): BURR932721	0	9	4	2	0	0	0	0	3	3	3	3	4	32
Totals:	380	537	504	534	546	466	378	532	528	513	625	414	566	6,299

Municipal MRF Recycling Rate Trend: Burrillville



THINK GREEN TOUR

Experience Recycling Educational Tour #201

A FREE adventure for the people of the Blackstone Valley!

A FUN way to learn about recycling!

- Participants will have the opportunity to tour the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation and take a Riverboat Ride on the Blackstone River.
- They will have all of their questions answered including:
 - Why should I recycle?
 - Am I recycling correctly?
 - Why does it matter?
 - What else I can do to Keep Blackstone Valley Beautiful?

When: Saturday, October 1, 2011

- The bus leaves from Burrillville Town Hall (additional parking available at the Town Hall Annex) at 9am and travels to the Central Falls Landing for a 1 hour Riverboat Tour.
- Participants will then get back on the bus and travel to the Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation for a 30 minute tour. The bus will return to Burrillville Town Hall at 12pm.

Learn valuable recycling tips, see the beauty of our natural environment, and find how to KEEP it beautiful!



Contact Andrea Hall at 568-4440 x 12 or ahall@burrillville.org to reserve a seat.

The tour is limited to 40 participants on a first-come, first-served basis.

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OVERVIEW

WHY RECYCLE-BOWL?

Recycling is the easiest and most effective thing that ANYONE can do to protect natural resources, conserve energy and reduce carbon emissions. Recycling also creates jobs and stimulates our economy. And, friendly competition is a proven way to motivate young people toward adopting sustainable behaviors.

Many schools have been slow to embrace recycling. Through Recycle-Bowl, we hope to galvanize recycling in elementary, middle and high schools across America.

Our Mission

Invigorate student participation through a national K-12 recycling competition.

Objectives

- Establish new recycling programs within schools
- Increase recycling rates in schools that currently recycle
- Provide teacher/student educational opportunities about recycling and waste reduction

HOW CAN MY SCHOOL COMPETE?

Competition Categories

Recycle-Bowl is separated into two divisions, the Competition Division and the Open Division. Schools may choose to register for either, based on eligibility requirements and the school's ability to meet division standards. Individual classrooms will be placed in the Open Division. [Learn more.](#)

Flexible Game Plan

From experienced "veterans" to recycling "rookies," every school can use Recycle-Bowl to support and improve its recycling efforts.

- **Got game?** If your school has a good, solid recycling program (or the potential to build one), set your strategy toward winning the state competitions or the national grand prize.
- **Still working on your skills?** Schools with modest or new recycling programs can opt to focus on improvement over the course of the competition. Organize a mini-competition between classes or with another school in which they have a long-standing sports rivalry. For more ideas on strategizing participation, visit the [Playbook section](#).

KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE PRIZES!

Sure, bragging rights are important. But, schools also have an opportunity to take home serious awards in the Recycle-Bowl Competition Division.

- **State Champions:** A winner from each U.S. state and the District of Columbia will receive \$1,000 based on the most recycled material per person per school.
- **The National Title: America's Top Recycling School!** A grand prize of an additional \$2,500 will go to the top performer among the State Champions!
- **Involve your community.** To keep things fair, if your school collects recyclable material from around the community, this will be treated as a separate competition category. The **Drop-off Category** offers a \$1,000 first prize, a \$750 second prize and \$500 third prize. Schools will track the amount of material recovered per person and will compete with other schools on a national level.