

Recycling Committee Minutes

February 8, 2016, 4:05 pm meeting called to order by Chairman Jerry Geci.

Attendance: N. Boccio, G. Geci, L. Losee, D. Wilson, D. Raap

Minutes of April 14, 2016 meeting were read and approved.

Agenda:

Trash Receptacles in Borough

Continued conversation on acceptable trash bins in center of town. Naomi shared that she was exploring a grant for 25 recycling containers for town. Jerry volunteered to work on the grant. The containers could be used in the center of town and at events throughout the year. Dave Wilson stated that there are 55 gallon polymer drums at the sewer treatment plant might be used as recycling containers – especially if we were to put plastic bags inside. Jerry will take a look at them soon. We discussed the possibility of students at the high school creating a recycling stencil to attach to the containers. Jerry plans to bring this up Dave Fiorillo. The containers might be stored at the sewer plant at Stoddard Rd if needed.

Recycling Shed

Naomi reported all going well. She is working on updating a Revenue and Expense sheet which hasn't been done in some time. The committee discussed needing a new Roll Off, the old one needs to be replaced. CT Waste Oil used to take used oil, now the company won't take it. There was discussion about purchasing a waste oil heater for the shed. Naomi thought it costs approximately \$4000 per year to have another company take our used oil. Town of Warren has a waste oil heater.

Recycling in our Schools

Jerry is meeting with David Fiorillo, business manager at school on Feb. 21, 2017, to discuss recycling in our schools. Jerry asked for issues the committee members would like raised, and members suggested asking about the use of paper plates and plastic silverware in the lunch rooms, the possibility of food composting, and what recycling is being done now in classrooms and offices. Related to this, Denise is calling USA Hauling to find out about the availability of composting receptacles for school and commercial businesses.

Earth Day 2017

Litchfield will celebrate Earth Day on April 29th. Robert Van Wyck of the Litchfield & Morris Lions Club has been in touch with Naomi. The Lions Club & the Recycling Committee will organize Earth Day. The Lions usually supply food and drinks for the volunteers at White memorial. Naomi will be in touch with Jonathon from ELVIS group (East Litchfield Village Improvement Society) to coordinate their clean-up day.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:05pm

Denise Raap,

Recording Secretary