

Recycling Committee Minutes

June 14, 2017 Called to Order 4:08pm

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

Approval of April meetings minutes approved : N Boccio

Agenda:

EARTH DAY RECAP

Earth Day event held April 29, 2017 was very successful. Approximately 30 bags of garbage was collected by volunteers and disposed of by Litchfield public works employees. There was some discussion about mapping out where volunteers were cleaning up so that the workers could locate bags more easily. Naomi says they are canvassing all the roads anyway and for volunteers who don't check in we wouldn't have record of where they left their bags anyway. There was discussion about changing site location to Litchfield Fire House instead of White Memorial. G Geci will reach out to Robert VanWyck from Rotary/Lions Group to see if they would still host cook-out party after if moved to firehouse. Northfield and East Litchfield currently use their firehouses as a meeting place. N. Boccio will talk to Fire Commission.

Trash Receptacles in Borough

Continued conversation on acceptable recycling/trash bins in center of town. L Losee met with Litchfield Historical Commission for approval of garbage receptacles that the recycling committee agreed on. They did not like. L Losee asked them to pick out one that they would approve and their response was they do not feel comfortable picking out. They asked that the Recycling Committee pick out a different container. We looked at some that were similar to ones that have been used in the past. The monies that were to be available to purchase the containers is no longer available from the Beautification Committee as they ran into additional expenses when redoing the islands in the center of town. G. Geci took catalog to further look into garbage/recycling containers. There is frustration that we have not been able to agree and get funding for garbage/recycling cans in the borough.

L. Losee reported that the temporary blue barrels used for Road Race weekend worked out well. There was discussion that more receptacles needed to be added to retail side of street as there was a lot of garbage left on the sidewalks, flowers boxes, window sills, etc since there were no garbage cans available on that side.

Recycling Center Work

N Boccio shared that the town has purchased 4 new dumpsters/roll-offs with covers. Two for recycling and two for demo. We had currently been renting the ones we've been using and the town purchased these for under \$20,000.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:53pm

Denise Raap, Recording Secretary