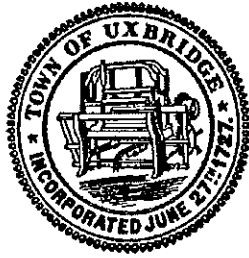


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RECYCLING & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, November 14, 2017, at 6:00 PM in Lower Town Hall, 21 South Main Street,
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Received by
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Called to order 6:00 PM

Present: Christine Zadykovich
Orlando Corona
Linda Corona
Mary Mc Donald
Brian Plasko (alternate)
David Tapscott (BOH liaison)

Absent: Deanna Savage (alternate)

Old Business:

1. School grant status

The specifics of the grant are not known at this time. Working with the Curriculum Director and the Principals seems the best way to proceed for any forthcoming projects of this committee. Some ideas discussed were: using washable trays and utensils instead of throwaways, minimizing straw use, composting food waste and donating unused food to local agencies, gardening, and having a person whose role is to form and promote Green Teams in every school.

Action: Mary will get the specifics of the grant from the curriculum director for the system and the Committee will work with the school regarding the specifics of implementation.

2. Blackstone Valley Recycling Centers in Northbridge and Blackstone

Brian reported that a \$30 fee is charged to Uxbridge residents at each of the Centers. A list of materials and fees from each center was reviewed. The drop-off center run by the DPW in Uxbridge was also discussed.

3. Survey

The second draft of the survey was discussed. The purpose of pointing out that Uxbridge does not have a town wide trash/recycling program is to inform survey respondents that town wide programs can offer better services at a lower price. The average of \$420 per year was discussed. There is a wide variety of costs among Committee members themselves, and it was thought that using <\$300 was a reasonable figure to use. Putting

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this as \$75/quarter should also be mentioned. Adding to the list of haulers was also agreed upon. The survey monkey option was discussed and all thought that leaving that off of the survey was best, because people might forget to go online. As a follow-up tool it might be useful. The logistics of getting this into the annual Town census was discussed. Several members offered to help the Town Clerk.

4. Hauler Regulations

The BOH meeting on the 15th was discussed as were the proposed hauler regulations. A motion was made by Orlando to endorse the regulations and was seconded by Christine. The vote was 5 yea, 0 nay.

5. Attleboro Recycling

Christine and David have reviewed the Attleboro program on line. It was thought that having contact with the program through Cheryl Perry would be helpful.

Action: David will review Attleboro regulations and contact Cheryl to explore a meeting with the Committee.

New Business:

1. Casella Tour

Mary, Orlando, Linda and David will be going tomorrow. Making a list of questions about certain materials or items and their potential for recycling was suggested.

2. Review of Minutes from October Meeting'

Corrections were made. Mary moved to accept the minutes as corrected and Orlando seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yea, 0 nay.

3. Meeting Dates

Meeting on December 12th would not allow Deanna to attend and the 19th was thought to be impractical. Everyone present could attend on the 5th.

Action: David will see about Deanna's availability

Other Matters Discussed:

Orlando is interested in exploring the Green Communities initiative and will be given contact information.

Communication strategies and tools as the Committee's work proceeds.

A wish list for directions Committee members would like to take.

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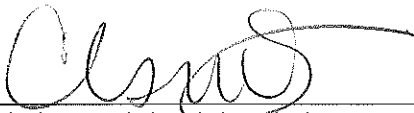
Suggested agenda for next meeting:

Casella Report
Report on School Grant
Finalizing survey
Wish list discussion
Green Community idea

- I. Future educational and evaluative activities the Committee will explore were discussed. This included the use of a survey, forums which the Committee might participate in, and the current Facebook page "Uxbridge Recycling and Sustainability Committee".

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Next meeting will be December 5, 2017 at 6:00 PM in Lower Town Hall



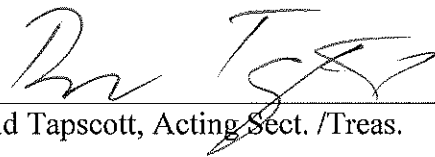
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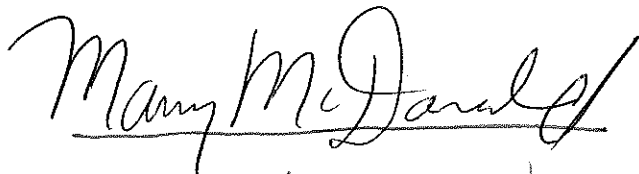


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