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## Recycling and Sustainability Committee Minutes March, 13, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by the Chair.

Received by  
Uxbridge  
Town Clerk

### Present:

Christine Zadykovick, Chair  
Orlando Corona, Vice-chair  
Linda Corona, Member  
Joyce Kutzer, Member  
Mary McDonald, Member  
Brian Plasko, Alternate  
David Tapscott, Liaison to Board of Health (arrived at ~ 8:00 PM)

### Report from Board of Health:

**Cleanup Day** sponsored by BOH will be held April 28<sup>th</sup> 2018. Board will be responsible for food, enrolling local sponsors and Blackstone Valley Heritage Corridor, etc. The model from last year's successful day will be used. RSC presence with a separate booth can provide a great deal of information about recycling and allow people to see what RSC is doing. Elements of the booth will include:

- \*A poster with graphics presenting highlights of the RSC survey
- \*A brochure with a list of current resources available for all citizens now. This brochure will also present the mission and accomplishments of the RSC to date. Current resources were reviewed and include curbside haulers, drop offs in Uxbridge and Blackstone, Sutton hazardous waste recycler, electronics recycling days by local groups, Styrofoam (cups/trays and EPS), plastic bags at schools and grocery stores, shredded paper, etc. Terracycle, which collects a wide variety of small items, can also be listed. They can operate through private citizen collectors. The trifold would address each of these materials with a detailed answer of how and where to recycle each of these materials. Knowledge from the Casella tour will also be used to create this "how to" list.
- \*Kitchen counter recycling containers will be given out, along with a flyer about composting.
- \*Presence of the Green Team from the schools
- \*White board to list questions from people which RSC can address.
- \*"Plastic man" was also mentioned

### Action:

Christine will supply popup tent and a table, chairs probably won't be needed. She will also design or copy the composting flyer.  
Brian will create the poster about the RSC survey  
Data for brochure will be gathered and BOH can produce the trifold  
Linda and Mary will arrange for Green Team presence

David will explore white board availability.  
He will also see what Bonnie Coombs has available for resources to include on the trifold before we proceed.

## **Municipal Program**

Irene Congdon will be available for technical assistance in developing the municipal program and will be asked to attend the next RSC meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup>. She and Kristin and David and Angie Ellison, the Town Manager, will meet with her on April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Action: Orlando volunteered to attend as a representative of the RSC.

## **Green Communities**

The zoning article and the Stretch Code are on the Warrant for the spring Town Meeting. Representation by the RSC in presenting the concept of the Green Communities was requested. The RSC thought Deanna would be a good person to do this. Orlando volunteered to do a presentation if she could not.

Action: David will contact Deanna about this.

## **Water Forum**

Benn Sherman, head of the DPW, and David have planned a town informational forum for April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00. The subject will be the status of town water. Special attention will be given to the color and odor of water and potential health issues. RSC presence was requested to discuss environmental and health issues of bottled water

Action: RSC will formulate a plan to be there.

## **SCHOOL GRANT**

Equipment request has been filled out. Funds only recently have been released.

Action: Mary will follow up

## **CABLE SEGMENT**

Presentation by students on Green Team concerning recycling, straw challenge and sharing table has been introduced to Barry Giles.

Action: Orlando will follow up with Barry and students.

## COMMITTEE GOALS

1. Farmers' Market people have been difficult to contact.
2. Idea of purchase by Town of rain barrels and outside composting bins was discussed.

Action: David will ask about this possibility

3. Presence of recycling containers at athletic games and fields was discussed.

Action: Christine will contact Parks and Rec people to explore this idea.

## APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY MINUTES

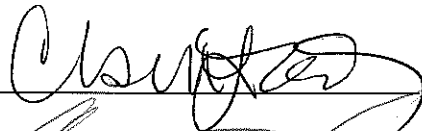
A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from February 13, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

## ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Orlando to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Brian. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:50

## NEXT MEETING WILL BE APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00 IN THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN ROOM

Christine Zadykovich, Chair



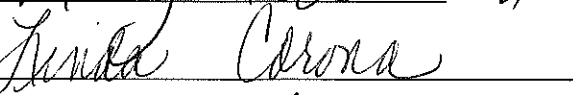
Orlando Corona, Vice Chair



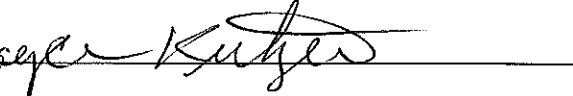
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Linda Corona, Member



Joyce Kutzer, Member



Deanna Savage, Alternate



Brian Plasko, Alternate

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