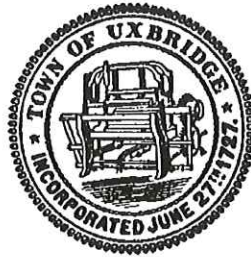


Recycling and Sustainability Committee Meeting of September 11, 2018

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Minutes September 11, 2018

Present

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The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM in the Board of Selectmen Room

Guidelines for Citizen participation

Various details were discussed. We agreed that citizens who want to participate or contribute should be allowed to do that at the front of the meeting. The Chair can mediate and facilitate any discussions which might occur and can limit people to what is said and how long their comments can last was discussed.

Status of RSC

BOS approached informally about having committee become standing committee, and Chair agreed it was good idea to explore. Requires TM approval. Presentation to BOS has been postponed until November, after TM.

Each RSC member needs to review their commitment to continuing on the committee and let CZ know. Deanna has indicated she wants to stay involved but does not wish to serve as alternate at this time.

Report from the BOH

At the recent BOS meeting, Kristin presented an overview of the status of exploring a municipal trash/recycling contract and David gave an overview of Board of Health activities. Irene Congden was present to field questions about the contract. Grants for purchasing bins are available, dependent upon the implementation of a contract. An enterprise fund is already in place to handle the financial aspects of such a program.

A SMRP grant of \$3150 is available for use for promoting and implementing recycling programs. Various ideas were discussed. The Blackstone recycling center was checked out by Mary. They have removed the sharing shed due to lack of adequate monitoring. Brochure updates were discussed, especially if a municipal program is adopted. Business cards for RSC were also discussed.

School Update

The status of the water coolers was discussed. There is one at Taft and the High School. The status of the one at Whitin is unknown.

There are three Green Team leaders and they are coordinated by Wendy Phillips, the Curriculum Director for the UPS system.

Library Program

The next program will concentrate on energy efficiency and will be held at the UPL on November 5th at 6:00. The ideal program would be to have someone come from MassSave to present their home energy efficiency audit program and to sign people up. An alternate plan would be for the RSC to present the MassSave program. Christine is in touch with them trying to find out how many homes in Uxbridge have been audited. Orlando is organizing the presentation.

There was a discussion of other energy efficiency programs in the US and abroad. Deanna circulated a flow chart recently of energy efficiency on a large scale, which included sources of energy and amount used per sector of the economy.

Action

Christine will pursue MassSave contacts

David will circulate energy efficiency flow chart that Deanna emailed earlier this year.

Newsletter

The first quarterly newsletter will be posted on the RSC FB page and the Town website in October. CZ is putting together a template to which we can each contribute a short article. One will be about the library programs, another could be about the schools, Terracycle, etc. The details of communicating with the town email and distributing via the RSC address were discussed. The RSC website was also discussed. Kristin can add website items.

First Night

Orlando has been meeting with First Night people about participating. There was general interest in participating in the parade and helping with the cleanup effort. They are looking for elves who will participate in the parade and there is a need for 6-8 people to pick up trash. Putting a flyer in backpacks was also discussed and further details will be sought. Elves marching with recycling containers was discussed and was not thought to be a great idea. Recruiting elves was discussed.

Action:

Orlando will get further details.

Terracycle

Christine discussed the details of the program, including status of campaigns and the use of the \$30 credit. This will be done at the end of the calendar year. Giving it to the Green Teams was discussed.

Wish List

--Promoting composting was left on the list as an area which we want to explore.
--Rain collection barrels were also discussed. The purchase of rain barrels was also discussed. The company will deliver them after they have been paid for; a pickup point would be determined for them to drop off. This would be a cost savings for the residents.
--Recycle Coach is a website which will gratis help coordinate all of our recycling programs; without a municipal program this would not be helpful.

Action:

David will explore using the DPW as a drop off point.

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A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. It passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM

Next meeting will be October 30th in the Board of Selectmen Room at 6:00

Christine Zadykovich



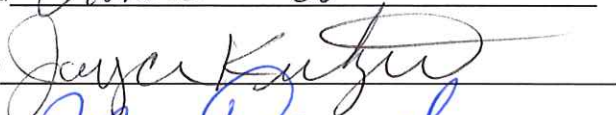
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