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SIMSBURY RECYCLING COMMITTEE
Thursday, September 25th, 2008

I. CALL TO ORDER: 7:40 pm

II. PRESENT:

" Chair Mary Turner and Members-Lori Fernand, Jill Paterson, Lonni Schulz, and Dane Woodberry

" Members Gwen Moraski and Andrew Rose informed Mary Turner they would be unable to attend

" Guest: Deputy First Selectman John Hampton, Board of Selectmen liaison to the Recycling Committee

III. MINUTES:

" Minutes approved for May and June

IV. RECYCLING NEWS:

" Simsbury Bulky Waste flyer: E-mail concerns/additions to Mary, Lonni, and Lori and they will look to meet with Jim before the next meeting.

" Jill's episode from the Garbage Museum Trip will be screened at Henry James Middle School on October 2nd, 2008 at 2:30 pm with potential Enviro Team members.

" It was agreed that the Recycling Committee will approach the Simsbury High School Environmental Club to ask them to select one of their members to serve as a representative to the Committee. Lori will facilitate this.

V. SCHOOL:

" Mary will contact Superintendent Diane Ullman regarding recycling efforts in the Simsbury School District to look into future collaborative efforts.

VI. SWAP CENTER:

The challenge to staff the Swap Center in bad weather because the building becomes overheated was discussed. In response to the problems with the existing building, on hold is a 12 x 30 unit with three windows for purchase by the Town of Simsbury next year. The unit costs approximately \$6,000. The Recycling Committee will look to get new signs once the building is purchased. The fence will be moved 14' into the pasture to allow the Swap Center Building to be placed there and for more convenient parking.

John Hampton will watch for the building allocation in the upcoming budget discussions including the CRRRA rebate funds.

New volunteer materials will be created and all volunteers will be retrained about which materials to accept for the next season.

VII. NIKE REUSE A SHOE:

The Committee engaged in a discussion on ways to improve outreach to potential participants in the Nike Reuse A Shoe Campaign. It was agreed to use National Recycling Day as a way to reach out to folks. Lonni and Lori will place calls to the potential participants list to confirm contact information. A letter will then be sent out to the confirmed contact with a sample flier for the Campaign. A goal of 2,009 sneakers has been set.

The Committee will also refocus efforts on tennis centers, gyms, Simsbury Farms, and the Simsbury School District. The Committee will also look to work with student clubs, PTOs, and the schools' list serves. Locations to use again include: Eno Hall, Town Hall, the library, two local tennis clubs, and the Little League Field. Everyone is to scope out potential locations before the next meeting.

VIII. RECYCLING AWARD:

On November 10th the Recycling Award is to be presented. A motion was made by Dane and seconded by Jill to give the recycling award to a company. A motion was made by Lonni and seconded by Dane to also give the award to an individual.

Mary will create the awards. Dane will present the award to the organization and Lonni will present the award to the individual.

IX. GIFFORDS GREEN CONVERSATION:

Look for the next Giffords Green Conversation in October with Aquarion and discussion on the Wild and Scenic designation effort for the Farmington River.

X. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Lori will contact the Capitol Regional Council of Governments and Rich Sawitzke regarding recycling strategic plan;
2. Research will be conducted over the next month regarding recycling of 3-9 plastics for possible actions by the Committee;
3. Mary is sending correspondence to Rich Sawitzke to thank him for the September 23rd memorandum. The Committee will keep All Waste and Paine in the loop on a promotional brochure for the launch of Single Stream Recycling in Simsbury;
4. Mike Paine will attend the next meeting;
5. Committee congratulated Jill on her award from the Department of Environmental Protection. Jill was nominated for the award by Representative Linda Schofield.

XI. ADJOURNED: 9:50 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lori Fernand.