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SIMSBURY RECYCLING COMMITTEE
TOWN HALL OFFICES-Room #103
AGENDA for THURSDAY, October 27, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Lori Fernand, Ch. Lonni Schulz, Liz Melvin, Joyce Banks and Mary Turner

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:34 pm by Lori Fernand.
- II. Approval of Minutes: June 23rd, 2011 Lonni made a motion to approve with corrections and Joyce seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- III. Correspondence: No report.
- IV. Recycling News:
- Lonni reported the a college book store gel pens made from used bottles were being sold.
- Joyce reported the Hartford Courant on 9-4-11 ran a recycling article on "Research needed for these items". After discussion Joyce offered to look into battery disposal.
- V. Reports:
- 1. Swap Shoppe

A final report cannot be made until after the close of the season, which is October 29. From all indications it was a banner year.

There were more updates made to the Swap Shoppe page in that the Magazine Swap at the Library had been added to the bottom of this page which was the more appropriate venue.

#### 2. Schools

a. Discussion on New Student Liaisons to the Recycling Committee and action items for this school year.

Lori reported the student reps were getting our emails. She will

inquire if the student reps from Henry James and the High School are interested in continuing.

#### 3. Website:

a. Review proposed changes

Our email is: recycle@simsbury-ct.gov

The Recycling Committee Page needs to be updated to remove Cathy Barnard's name. All links to the Swap Shoppe will be reworked.

### 4. Legislative Updates

Lori reported the DEP representative mentioned this year there will be an effort to address mattress disposal by getting stores that sell mattresses remove the old one.

## VI. Old Business:

Recycling Education Campaign and Review of Action Items:

1. .At the Septemberfest Lori put some literature out for display including a draft of our brochure. She reported Tom said a final presentation regarding CRRA would be made on November 14 at the Board of Selectmen's meeting.

The draft brochure was passed around.

- 2. The presentation of Recycling Best Practices is being developed.
- 3. Exploration of Composting Program with the Community Farm: To be discussed at a later date

Lori suggest early spring. Lori will talk to the farm director about choosing a date.

# VII. New Business:

1. Grant Submission

Lori reported the NU grant application was denied. The purpose for the grant monies was to do an outreach program at the grocery store.

2. Recycling Award

The committee voted on the Recycling Award recipients.

A request to have the agenda amended to include 4 additional items was made by Mary and seconded by Liz. The motion carried.

Regional ice skate drive:

The Bushnell Park director has introduced a drive for those who do not have skates. Bins will be placed at International Skating Center, Simsbury Farms Ice Rink and Westminster School. They will then bring them to Bushnell Park. This drive will begin after thanksgiving November 28

through to January 16th. Lori will put out a press release soon.

- 4. There is to be a Drug Drop Off Program which was started as a pilot program by the Department of Consumer Protection on October 6. It was suggested that we consider it at a future date
- 5. Recycling Calendar for 2012 The following are the dates of the Recycling Committee Meetings for 2012 and January 2013:

January 19
February 16
March 22
April 26 to be confirmed
May 24
June 28
September 13
October 25
November 15
January 24, 2013

6. America Recycle Day

Lori suggested that we should promote taking a pledge campaign to take one new step to recycle. A press release will be sent. She said she would ask the Board of Selectmen to take the pledge. The pledge is to learn more about recycling in my community and to raise my rate of recycling.

## VII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Joyce and seconded by Mary to adjourn at 8:58 pm. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by, Mary Turner