

**Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**March 10, 2021**

**PRESENT;** P. Wentworth, E. Cabral, R. Davis, C. Cipriano and C. Kowalski

**Guests:** None

Meeting started at 7:00 pm.

**MINUTES**

*P. Wentworth made the motion to approve the minutes February 17, 2021 as amended (R. Davis was listed in attendance twice). The motion was seconded by C. Kowalski. The motion passed 4-0-0. (R. Davis entered the meeting after the minutes were approved)*

***New Business***

***Clean Up Hampstead Day***

There was discussion about hosting the event again this year. The date would be May 8<sup>th</sup>. E. Cabral will see if she can update the previous flyer and put it out on the community pages and the recycling Facebook page and the website. It will be noted that bags are available at the town office anytime it is open. There can be other clean up days but the 8<sup>th</sup> will be posted.

***Old Business***

***Household Hazardous Waste***

E. Cabral reported that Plaistow will be holding the spring collection of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to noon. It will be held at the PARC off Old County Road in Plaistow. E. Cabral will reach out to Plaistow to give them the information about the State contract and fluorescent light bulbs and to see if our staff could pick out the used motor oil during the Plaistow event. She will also see if they hold the event because of their super sites.

***Transfer Station Shed***

There is a delivery date of March 23<sup>rd</sup> for the new shed. P. Wentworth stated that he saw the foundation and suggested that it be kept on skids about an inch or inch and a half, with the concrete under to help circulate aid. He noted that with pressure treated wood it could rot faster if not done that way. He also stated that the shed coming in is actually redwood.

The transfer station opens for the season on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Collection for the swap shop will be on that day and items held until the following Saturday. The swap shop will be open on the third Saturday of the month. T. Harrington reported that S. Theriault spoke with the Town's insurance carrier and volunteers are covered under the policy. Regarding the swap shop, the insurance company recommended that items be kept a week before allowing others to take them, which is what the current practice is. E. Cabral suggested that there should be two people that are there on the days the swap shop is open. It was also suggested that one person (or two people splitting the shift) work the intake days when the transfer station is open.

C. Kowalski suggested that there should be some more formalized policy so that anyone coming in to help knows what is expected, such as don't lift anything heavy. E. Cabral will come up with a policy and T. Harrington will look into a waiver to have completed by the volunteers.

C. Kowalski asked if we knew where the recycling and trash were being delivered. T. Harrington noted that when she receives the monthly excel report from Pinard, it states where the truck delivered. She will forward that information to the rest of the committee to have. C. Kowalski also noted that he

is no seeing that both lids are being left open and that the driver is barely letting the cart touch the ground when he is off to the next one. He also brought up the suggestion that the carts should be have the bottoms cleaned out every once in awhile. Maybe it could be suggested on the committee recycling page.

Motion to adjourn at 8:10 pm was made by E. Cabral and seconded by C. Kowalski and passed 5-0.

#### Upcoming Events

Kent Farm Transfer Station opens for season, Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup> 8-4

Swap Shop opens for season, Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. 10-12

Household Hazardous Waste Collection- Plaistow, Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> 9-12

#### NEXT MEETING

April 14, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Harrington, Secretary