

Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee
Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2021

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

Meeting started at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES

C. Cipriano made the motion to approve the minutes from April 10, 2021.

The motion passed 3-0-2. (C. Kowalski and R. Davis abstained)

New Business

No new business

Old Business

Household Hazardous Waste Day- E. Cabral gave an update to the HHW collection held in Plaistow on April 24th. She stated that the highest wait time was about an hour to an hour and half. She reported that all the cars did in. The count for cars was at 401 with Hampstead having 62 cars go through. Veolia was the company that was used so it is expected that the bill will be around \$7k. She also noted that she spoke with the D. Garlington and he noted that he had some concerns with the vendor that we used, such as not enough people working. T. Harrington noted that whereas this was the first collection with them for our group, we had given them an estimate of the average number of cars and that day far exceeded the normal amount.

E. Cabral noted that overall, the collection day went well.

*Swap Shop-*E. Cabral reported that the container was full and this past collection day she had a volunteer and together they cleaned and organized the container. She announced the Swap Shop information on Facebook groups and some Freecycle groups in the area. The next day that it is open will be this Saturday, which is also a brush day.

Earth Day- E. Cabral reported that R. Davis sat at the town office for three hours and only two people showed up to pick up blue bags. She noted that she was discourage and wanted to look at options of working with groups within the town. There was a suggestion of having a table with bags at the fishing derby next year if possible. T. Harrington had noted that people had been picking up bags from the town office and the highway department for the last few weeks. C. Kowalski stated that people cleaning up the roads may inspire others to do it as well. Next year we can try to post it more in places such as the Carriage Town News and the other Facebook pages. Someone suggested having them in the library entrance as well for people to take as they come and go (once it is open).

NRRA workshop updates- C. Kowalski gave an update on some of the classes given by the NRRA for their annual conference which was held virtually.

R, Davis also noted that she will be attending a virtual workshop on lithium batteries.

Transfer Station- It was noted that the new police shooting range wasn't exactly where some of the members thought it was going to be. There was mention of a building going in there and some of the committee members were concerned that it will take up more of the space where the brush pile is. It was also noted that the roll-offs did not get picked up in a timely manner after the April collection. T. Harrington will reach out to T. Belanger at Pinard. It was also noted that there have been no statistics received since February and T. Harrington will look into it tomorrow.

Motion to adjourn at 8:23 pm was made by R. Davis and seconded by C. P. Wentworth and passed 5-0.

Upcoming Events

Kent Farm Transfer Station open Saturday, June 12^h 8-4

Swap Shop open, Saturday, June 19th. 10-12

NEXT MEETING

June 9, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Harrington, Secretary