

Wareham Recycling Committee

Town Hall - 54 Marion Road - Wareham, MA 02571

MINUTES – September 20, 2023 (meeting held in person)

Present: Ann Marie Brooks, Amanda Cobb, Jennifer Gady, Andrew Gallagher, Earl Russell

Also Present: Coordinator Marilyn Russell, Missy Dzikczek

6:01pm Meeting called to order by Ms. Gady.

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Amanda Cobb: Ms. Brooks moved to accept the minutes of the July 19, 2023 meeting; Mr. Gallagher seconded. Roll call vote 5-0-0: Brooks-Y, Cobb-Y, Gady-Y, Gallagher-Y, E. Russell-Y.

TREASURER’S REPORT - Earl Russell:

Town Article - \$24.40 (of original \$25,000)

Revolving Fund - \$3,174.20

Grant - \$11,025.65 (of original \$13,000)

Ms. Cobb moved to accept the Treasurer’s Report; Ms. Gady seconded. Roll call vote 5-0-0: Brooks-Y, Cobb-Y, Gady-Y, Gallagher-Y, E. Russell-Y.

COORDINATOR’S REPORT - Marilyn Russell:

- Ms. Russell welcomed new member Andrew Gallagher and guest (potential member) Missy Dzikczek. We discussed roles and responsibilities of Associate Member.
- We still have one unassembled rotating composter (out of original 6); will order more.
- WCTV Recycling ad has been rewritten; can be seen on Verizon channel 30 and Comcast channel 9.
- Ms. Russell has submitted our Annual Report to the Town as of July 31.
- Now that weather is cooler we will try to schedule a tour of the Zero Waste facility.
- Ms. Russell will instruct Ms. Cobb on how to do deposits.
- The paint shed will be closing at the end of September.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Discussion of summer hours – should we change Saturday hours back to 9-1?
Ms. Cobb moved to keep the 9-12 hours indefinitely; Ms. Brooks seconded. Roll call vote 5-0-0: Brooks-Y, Cobb-Y, Gady-Y, Gallagher-Y, E. Russell-Y.
- Trex Challenge – Ms. Gady suggested we do a drawing (free entry tickets) vs. a raffle for current bench.
- We’ve already submitted 250 lbs. of plastic bags in current Trex Challenge (deadline Jan. 14, 2024).
- Ms. Gady is still looking for local civic organization to accept bench donation: schools, library, etc.
- We still need to get a student representative from the High School, and would like more participation from our Select Board Liaison.
- Shred Day still on for Sat., October 28. We will hold drawing for the bench promo at noon that day.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The 2023 Wareham Hazmat Day has been rescheduled Saturday, October 21 from 9-12.
- Funding sources – consider whether to ask Town for more funding at Spring Town Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Brooks moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Gallagher seconded. Roll call vote 5-0-0: Brooks-Y, Cobb-Y, Gady-Y, Gallagher-Y, E. Russell-Y.

Meeting adjourned at 7:19pm. Next meeting: Wednesday, October 18 at 6pm.

Documents referenced/reviewed in this meeting:

- Minutes of July 19, 2023 Recycling Committee Meeting
- Coordinator’s Report

Respectfully submitted,



Amanda Cobb, Secretary

The foregoing minutes were submitted to the Town Clerk on 12/04/23.