

Strafford Recycling Committee
Minutes January 18, 2016 – Recycling Center

Unapproved

Attendees: Michael Scanlan, chair; Dori Wolfe, coordinator; Scott Moore, Vince Robinson
Absent: David Harris

- I. Approve Minutes from the last meeting – 11/23/15 minutes approved as corrected – date of the next meeting to be January 17, 2016.
- II. Old Business
 - A. Dori to contact Roger Howes to see if VTC students selected to study compacting solutions for the Center. Proposal submission due in January.
- III. New Business:
 - A. Annual report was submitted to Nellie Pennington (deadline 1/18), reviewed by Michael.
 - B. Dori to appeal for additional volunteers in the March Strafford News, in addition to an additional committee member.
 - C. Dave Harris and Paul Kristensen to take training on proper removal of devices that contain mercury on certain stoves and washing machines. The Center to start collecting button batteries which also contain mercury and should not be put in the landfill.
 - D. Partial credit was applied to our NRRRA account due to the incomplete emptying of the mixed paper container. If that should happen again, take a picture of the material in the bin before opening the center and send to Bonnie Bethune, along with an estimate of the percentage of container filled.
 - E. Jon has been responsive about having the crew tamp down the cardboard when needed. It makes a big difference is frequency and cost of shipping.
 - F. The Committee is not interested at this time in applying for a grant to set up a composting facility in conjunction with the school. There had been a request of where to take Christmas trees. It was suggested that possibly in the future, they could be collected near the ice skating rink for a winter bon fire. Scott to check with the Recreation Committee.
 - G. The Committee voted in favor of recommending the Select Board appoint Michael as the GUVSWMD alternative representative.
 - H. Dori will remind Ham Gillett, the new GUVSWMD outreach coordinator, that CFL's and peanuts are in need of being picked up.
 - I. Michael has written a good article for the Strafford News. Dori will include the message that went on the list serve.
 - J. Other: The ice rink snow blower does not work. After a snow fall, after the town has plowed, committee should make an effort before the next Saturday to clear in front of the bins and doors.
- IV. Next Meeting: To be determined.

Respectfully submitted, Dori Wolfe / Clerk