Town of Cape Elizabeth Recycling Committee Minutes of March 22, 2007 Meeting

Members Present: Russ Pierce, Sarah Choy, Louise Sullivan, Rachel Stamieszkin, Sara

Spidle, Gerry Davis

Members Absent: Alina Perez Smith

Guests: Pat Anderson, Recycling Center Attendant, Luareen Hollyday, Sue Dana Russ called the meeting to order at 7:08 in the conference room of Public Works Building.

On motion duly made and seconded it was voted: To accept the minutes of the February 15, 2007 meeting.

Louise will submit following articles to town council: Scarborough middle schoolers start recycling program, Press Herald "Uniwaste" article.

Single stream will start May 1st, 2007, a pamphlet with information and a list of acceptable items will be inserted in 4/14 Courier at a cost of \$184.50.

Monthly recycling numbers went down, 18 ½ for January.

Sue Dana spoke about eighth graders wanting to start environmental club by April 13th. Students want to provide 50 recycling bins for classrooms, possibly painted with their own logo. A sample was provided, and Rachel will contact Fast Signs about pricing on printing. They received a grant from the MSPA (parents association) for \$150, and the committee discussed a possible addition to that from committee funds. Sue also spoke of their wish to have a recycling Olympics to raise awareness, publicity signs, composting, monitoring electricity use at school, recycling lunch bags, promoting non disposable lunch bags, and selling refillable water bottles. Rachel and Sara S will research printing options for water bottle logo. Louise will email Bob Malley regarding the request for a silver bullet at the middle school. It was discussed that this silver bullet could be weighed to determine the savings to the town provided by recycling. Jetport Redemption is an option for picking up refundable bottles from the school.

Rachel has sent out new slide for CETV and will add new guidelines for Single Stream. Earth Day Flag raising event will take place on Sunday 4/22 at noon, as the T.S. is open for yard waste disposal. Sara S, Sara C and Gerry will form a subcommittee to plan this event.

The committee charter was reformulated and will be submitted to Bob for review. Courier Articles: 4/3 Rachel- interview with Pat, 4/3; Alina- Publicity blurb for Earth Day; 4/24- Louise-Cover Story for Single Stream. Rachel will send HHW flyer to Sara C, who will update and send draft to Bob.

Russ will direct cub scout troop inquiry to Pat for T.S. tour.

Sara S will contact Megan Hal stat regarding recycling of smaller plastic bags at Hannaford.

Louise, Rachel, Sara S, and town councilor Sara Lennon will tour EcoMaine 3/26, they will request marketing materials.

Laureen Hollyday and Pat discussed a portfolio approach to recycling and the connection to town savings, creating a fund for town use in other areas. They also discussed having school sports teams help at T.S. unloading recyclables from cars.

Meeting adjourned at 9: 05 p.m.

The next meeting will be at the Public Works Building, at **7 P.M. Thursday April 26th**, **2007**