Town of Cape Elizabeth Recycling Committee Minutes of May 17, 2007 Meeting

Members Present: Russ Pierce, Sarah Choi, Louise Sullivan, Rachel Stamieszkin, Sara Spidle, Gerry Davis

Russ called the meeting to order at 7:10 in the conference room of the Public Works Building.

On motion duly made and seconded it was voted; To accept the minutes of the April 26, 2007 meeting; and to recommend new swap shop guidelines to Bob Malley.

Alina spoke with Jay Sherma regarding recycling containers at library, we have approval from Mike McGovern to purchase containers. Committee members will continue to research appropriate containers.

The suggested guidelines for the swap shop are as follows: 15 minute parking and no resale of swap shop items.

Committee members will research other towns' procedures, guidelines and enforcement for their swap shop.

Middle School recycling seems to be increasing with recycling happening in classrooms and common areas such as cafeteria. A system for locking the silver bullet is being worked on by Steve Connolly and M.S. staff. The environmental club has purchased nalgene water bottles with new logo to sell.

Rachel will create document requested by Paul McKenney for same size town comparisons for costs and savings for pay per bag systems.

Committee will redirect composter questions to extension services within state.

Louise will submit two articles to town council on new single stream system.

The committee reviewed the current charter and recommended changes, suggesting a "eco" or "green" theme being incorporated into the charter.

HHW: Committee reviewed details of HHW day, finding extremely long wait times for community, and considered providing longer hours or another HHW day was discussed. It was decided that it is a mainly a Public Works issue. Bob Malley would like to follow up in some way, possibly with something in the Courier.

Committee will email one another with findings on what is, and is not recyclable with new system.

Courier Articles: Sara S will submit short piece on finding household systems for keeping recyclables for June 12, Gerry will write news from swap shop for July 17, Louise will write "recyclables: how clean is clean" for September.

Russ will ask Bob about recycling bins for FFD.

The budget for upcoming fiscal year is 2,500.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Upcoming meetings will be at the Public Works Building at 7 P.M. Thursday June 21st and Thursday July 19th. There will be no August meeting.