

**Town of Cape Elizabeth Recycling Committee
Minutes of the October 18, 2007 Meeting**

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

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

On motion duly made and seconded it was voted: To accept the minutes of the September 20, 2007 meeting.

The silver bullet has been brought back to the middle school, and is open and available for town use.

Committee members decided to cease involvement in tote bag sales.

The committee discussed the meeting with EcoMaine and school administration. Topics covered were silver bullet use and logistics of getting recycling into the receptacle. An updated flyer of recyclables was given to all vice principals of the three schools and Sara Spidle will request that it be distributed to entire staff. Missi Labbe, from EcoMaine is willing to come to the schools to hold assemblies to encourage and explain recycling. The staff at the Pond Cove and Middle School cafeteria is willing to increase recycling, including milk bottles. The kitchen staff is already recycling cardboard and cans.

Alina showed us examples of recycle bin for library, and will bring to the town planner for overview. Alina will look into labeling at Fast Signs. \$2000 is available in budget.

Town of Cape Elizabeth passed an ordinance to limit yard sales to 3 per year, which relates to the Swap Shop difficulties of loitering and misuse of donations. The chronic Swap Shop offender has stopped undesirable behavior.

Louise called Critical Insights for information on town wide survey. Cost could be approximately \$14,000 to conduct survey.

Louise and Pat took a tour of Saco transfer station, finding their card system not efficient for our town.

Louise will call town council to schedule meeting to discuss survey.

Russ will follow up with setting date with Town Council for meeting with CERC.

Rachel is working on refuse disposal pamphlet that will include information about recycling in Cape Elizabeth and a map of the Recycling Center.

Louise will submit 2 articles relevant to recycling to the town council.

Maine Recycles Week is November 12-16. Louise will request announcement sign at Transfer Station, and Rachel will make a slide for CETV.

Louise will ask if recycling rate information can be placed in Courier in a prominent place, every issue.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be at the Public Works Building **7 p.m. November 15th, 2007.**