Town of Cape Elizabeth Recycling Committee Minutes of September 24, 2009 meeting

Members present: Mary Brock, David Ernst, Jennifer Hansen, Mike Pulsifer, Greg Walsh Members absent: John Kane, Bill Wadman (both excused)

Meeting called to order by Jennifer at 7:03 pm. Motion to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2009 meeting was made by Mike and seconded by Greg and approved by all. Recycling numbers from August were reviewed. Cape Elizabeth's recycling rate for August was a very respectable 30.36%.

Plans for the upcoming (September 27) CELT Harvest Festival were reviewed. The RC will have a booth there from 10am-2pm displaying both recycling and composting materials. Mike will staff the table from 10-12, Bill from 12-1, and Mary and John from 1-2.

We next brainstormed for Maine Recycles Week November 8-15. Posters promoting recycling will be made up and displayed in the schools and at the recycling center. Mike will call Jetta Antonakos about this. Greg will do a Courier article about it. Other ideas discussed included a possible poster contest amongst the schools, with various prizes for best posters; a middle school contest for a poster made of recyclable materials; a contest for a brief recycling video.

Also, Greg will inquire about a table for books at the library on the topics of recycling and composting for this week, as was done last year. Details of the above will be finalized at our next meeting on October 22.

Jennifer discussed a possible town purchase of the Earth Machine composter in bulk quantity for resale to residents at a bargain price.

Lastly, the recent **ecomaine** information exchange meeting held on September 10 was re-capped by Jennifer, who attended as a representative of Cape's recycling committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05. The **next meeting will be held at 7 pm on Thursday, October 22, 2009** in the Public Works building.

Respectfully submitted, David Ernst, secretary.