Cape Elizabeth, Maine – Recycling Committee Minutes of May 27, 2010 meeting

Members present: David Ernst, Jennifer Hansen, Mike Pulsifer

Member absent: Mary Brock, John Kane, Greg Walsh

Guests: Emily Hollyday (Cape High School junior representing their Environmental Club), Carol Hubbard representing the organization Cool Cape, and Peter Frye, an interested citizen.

Due to lack of an attendance quorum, no official business was conducted and no items were voted upon

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Jennifer reminded the group of **ecomaine's** invitation to their upcoming annual meeting in June, featuring a talk on municipal composting, with the hope that several of us will be able to attend.

There was a general discussion of recycling issues and efforts at increasing recycling in Cape Elizabeth. The various parties present exchanged ideas and informed the others of the activities of their respective organizations

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Peter Frye initiated a discussion on how to increase the recycling rate of local businesses by explaining how his company did same.

Carol Hubbard explained how Cape is a Cool City by virtue of our town council adopting a Kyoto Agreement-like commitment to reduce our community's carbon footprint. Examples include better insulation of buildings, reducing or eliminating idling vehicles, and increasing recycling rates.

Emily Hollyday expressed her club's interest in environmental issues and willingness to assist with games at the upcoming Family Fun Day. The club recently promoted and sold approximately thirty home composting bins.

Jennifer extended an invitation to Cool Cape and the HS Environmental Club to attend the Recycling Committee meetings on a scheduled periodic basis. Further ways of cooperation between the three groups present were also discussed.

Again, no items were voted on. The minutes of the April meeting will have to be approved at our *next meeting, the date of which is still to be determined*.

Respectfully submitted, David Ernst, secretary.