

RECYCLING COMMITTEE
Town of Cape Elizabeth

Minutes of the Meeting of 5 January 2012

Present: Jamie Garvin, chair pro tem, Patt Bothel, Jessica Simpson,
David Ernst, William Marshall, Robert Malley, Director of Public Works
Absent: John Kane, Peter Frye

- 1) The meeting was called to order by chair pro tem Jamie Garvin at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room in the Public Works Building.
 - 2) Patt Bothel moved, second by Jessica Simpson, that the Minutes of the meeting of 1 December 2011 be approved. Motion voted and passed.
 - 3) There was no public comment.
 - 4) The chair called for nominations for chair for 2012. Jessica Simpson nominated John Kane, seconded by Patt Bothel. John Kane was elected by acclamation.
- The chair called for nominations for secretary for 2012. Patt Bothel nominated Bill Marshall, seconded by Jamie Garvin. Bill Marshall was elected by acclamation.
- 5) Recycling rates for November 2011 had previously been distributed by email. There was discussion about the lack of decrease in rates and why the rates were not declining.
 - 6) Bill Marshall reported briefly on the CEHS E Club. The Club meets every Thursday afternoon in Room 237, biology classroom of biology teacher Sue Rose. Students are pursuing various projects. The composting operation is working as planned.

7) Approximately an hour was spent discussing the Plan of Work and Goals of the Ctee for 2012. Many and various proposals for changes in the 2011 Plan were presented and discussed, along with new ideas. It was agreed that Jamie Garvin would pulled all these suggestions together and present a document to be approved at the 2 February meeting of the Ctee.

8) The Recycling /Composting Questionnaire will be inserted in a late January issue of The Cape Courier.

9) There will be an article in The Cape Courier about acceptance of debit and credit cards for any charges at The Recycling Center.

10) It was agreed that a vice chair of the Ctee will be nominated and elected at the 2 February meeting.

Bob Malley reported that he, Greg Marles, Town Facilities Manager, and Peter Esposito, School Food Services Director, had met with Greg Williams, Organicalchemy, Inc., and Jim Littner, CPRC Group, on 4 January. The Town has approached Greg Williams, who operates a food waste facility at the Riverside Recycling Facility, about collecting food waste from both school campuses. Bob reported that they had a productive meeting about the services Greg's company could provide to the Town. They discussed current volumes of food waste being generated in both cafeterias, along with the tools and training that would be needed to implement the program. Additionally, Bob reported that he has asked Greg to provide a proposal to the Town by early February for consideration by the Town Council during the budget review that includes staff training and transportation of the food waste to their Portland facility. Bob also reported that he will be meeting with Greg to explore the costs associated with a town-wide program. Bob will keep the Ctee updated on the progress of these efforts and will

report to the Ctee at the February meeting.

Jamie Garvin presented a letter from Dan Bernard, Founder of ecodot.com, along with a free sample of a recycled polo shirt made from recycled cotton and recycled polyester.

11) There was no final public comment.

12) Bill Marshall moved, seconded by David Ernst, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

NOTE: The meetings of the Ctee for the remainder of the 2012 are as follows:

- 1 March
- 5 April
- 3 May
- 7 June
- 5 July OR 2 August
- 6 September
- 4 October
- 1 November
- 6 December

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. Marshall