

Groton Recycling Committee Meeting
Town Hall Small Meeting room, first floor
Thursday, June 9, 2016 at 7pm

Attendees Mike Brady, Tessa David & Jamie King

Meeting was opened at 7:10pm

We unanimously voted to accept the May 5th meeting minutes as written.

We put a blue plastic recycling container with recycling logo next to the similarly sized trash can in the selectman's meeting room to comply with DEP grant application requirements.

We reviewed the DEP MSRP grant application credit criteria about hauler regulations that require bundled pricing (same price) for recycling and waste collection service. We found and reviewed BOH town hauler regulations and wondered if registration requirements are still enforced and if bundled pricing could be incorporated. Possible questions for BOH include the following. Does the BOH still require a permit fee for \$300 to haul waste in town, provide a schedule of collection routes and map of routes? Could haulers sign agreement that bundled pricing at same price?

We accepted Dan Harty of Covanta's invitation to continue to have a joint booth at GrotonFest and to register us for the event.

We reviewed Groton Town committee purpose posted on website:

Recycling Committee

About

The Committee organized the recycling program in the 1980s when the Town landfill was closed and planning and construction of the Transfer Station was begun. The Committee is currently responsible for:

- continuing to find better recycling methods
- advising the Board of Health on recycling regulations and practices

Recycling is mandated by the Town.

Members discussed how to address Recycling Myths & Contamination and brainstormed ideas to promote recycling, the Transfer Station and its advantages. Ideas included the following. Ad in paper? Herald? Promote on FB page, Groton, MA? Sell stickers at GrotonFest? TS Advantages include: price, more recycling options than the curb, and environmentally responsive.

Adjourned at 8:15pm

Next Meeting July 14th at 7:00pm