

Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes for February 16, 2017

Attendees: Jamie King, Tessa David, Mike Brady, Nancy Ohringer, Ian Peterson called in to meeting

Reviewed and voted unanimously to approve prior meeting November 10th minutes

GDRHS and Eagle Scout candidate Ian Peterson discussed his Eagle Scout Project to hold a textile recycling collection at both the high school and at Prescott school. The textiles to be collected are clothing, curtains, shoes stuffed animals and other misc. textile related items. Ian will have the support of several high school friends for the collections project.

Textiles collected in the drive will be processed by Bay State Textiles, a company in Pembroke, MA that specializes in textile recycling. They will grade and sort through the donations, exporting useable clothing, and cutting and shredding down damaged textiles to repurpose them into new items such as wiping cloths, carpet padding, insulation and building materials.

The high school collection will focus on encouraging students, their families and/ or staff to bring in items and leave at main office to be picked up by Ian. The committee discussed the best ways to communicate the message to the high school community and to stress what are allowable items to bring vs unallowable items not to bring.

The Prescott school will be more of a community event for local residents The textile collection dates are March 11 & March 18th at Prescott School from 8am to 2pm.

At the suggestion of the recycling committee, Ian will raise awareness of the textile collection bins at the Groton Transfer Station.

The committee voted unanimously to support Eagle Scout candidate Ian Peterson's textile recycling awareness project and help staff his collections at Prescott school March 11 and 18. Committee will help at collects in lieu of a regular meeting in March.