

GROTON RECYCLING COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes, Thursday, November 14, 2019 7:00 pm
Town Hall Small Meeting room, 1st floor

Agenda

Welcome

Attendance: Tessa David, Diana Keaney, Jamie King

Meeting was opened at 7:05

Meeting minutes of 10/10/19 were accepted as amended

Brainstorm Reduction Techniques: Glass (tabled until next meeting)

No update on black Earth compost

Single-use item reduction was discussed and how to educate the community around this issue.

- Single use water bottles – Jamie will locate video of Chronicle show, which highlighted Concord Mass ban on sale of single size water bottles and installation of water fill stations, and will email the link to the committee
- Potentially work with Groton restaurants to dissuade automatic straw distribution and/or use of hay or paper straws.
- Articles in the Herald and Nashoba Valley Voice with tips on how to reduce use of single-use items (i.e. Say no to Straws; Waste free Halloween; return hangers to dry cleaners)
- Diana to take a picture at local dry cleaners to show rows of hangers with plastic bags to show juxtaposition against African country's reusable bags to post on Facebook
- 2nd hand markets (buy more high quality items which will last longer for 1st time buyer and be in 2nd hand market longer)
- Add some of the above information to the Transfer Station website.

Future items

- Still waiting for PDF descriptions to be posted to go along with videos on Transfer Station part of town website
- Update on School Recycling
- Brainstorm Clean Recycling Practices, RecycleSmartMa.org
- Field trip to another transfer station(s)

Meeting adjourned: 8:25

Next meeting: December 12, 2019 7:00 p.m.