

## GROTON RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes, Thursday, November 12, 2020 @ 7:00 pm  
a 'Zoom' Meeting

Attendance: Tessa David, Diana Keaney, Jamie King, Val Prest

Meeting was opened at 7:17 PM

Welcome:

Meeting minutes of 10/08/2020 were unanimously accepted as amended and immediately revised by Tessa.

Review of Transfer Station's #2-Plastic's sign:

- Tessa stated that Keith approved of the sign our committee created and now we must obtain cost estimates (proposals) for obtaining funding and printing it.
- Val to forward a .pdf version of the proposed poster to Diana for her obtaining printing cost estimates.
- Further research is needed to find a company that can print this large poster.

Update on Transfer Station and Town-wide Food Waste collection including curbside collection and compost recycling:

- Black Earth Compost won the Town of Groton's Request For Proposal (RFP). So Black Earth now has the contract to collect and compost food waste at both the Transfer Station and curbside.
- Tessa emailed 2 of their flyers to our committee members for review. We discussed it in this meeting. They include what the monthly fee will be for curbside pickup.
- We generally agreed with the content and value of this new program of food waste collection and composting.
- At the Transfer Station Tessa is encouraging Keith to place the receiving containers near the entrance where people can easily spot and use them for their food waste. Keith mentioned likely problems with plowing snow in winter. It will be further investigated by Keith and us.
- Tessa already posted drop-off and pickup Information about this new program onto the Transfer Station's website.
- Diana's highschool girl scout acquaintance, Katherine, for one of her merit badges, wants to get involved in some way with this new collection/composting program.
- Val asked about where to obtain kitchen waste containers and was reminded that they are available at the Transfer Station.
- For curbside pickup Black Earth Compost will furnish wheeled trash cans to hold the food waste. They sell special bags for holding the food waste in those trash cans.

Action Items:

- Led by Diana, we are to pursue getting the poster priced out and printed.

Future items:

- Brainstorm what kind of drive-by signage we can create for posting alongside the road leading to and into the Transfer Station.
- Determine what other signage will be needed at the Transfer Station and perhaps create them.

Meeting adjourned: 8:15 PM

Next meeting: via 'Zoom' on December 10, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.

Gracefully submitted by Val Prest