

Old Orchard Beach Recycling Committee
Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 25, 2011
Location: Old Orchard Beach High School Room 108

Present: Fred Dolgon, John Weaver, Patricia Driscoll
Public Attendees: John Bird, Traci Gikas, Karen Lambert

A quorum was present as there are currently four committee members.

Meeting Called to Order at 7:04 P.M.

Item 1 – Minutes from Previous Meeting

Acceptance of meeting minutes from October 11, 2011. Minutes were accepted and approved as is.

Action Items

No further action required however, Chair John Weaver did request Secretary include location of “next meeting” in future minutes.

Item 2 – Ecomaine’s 3 Questions

Chair John Weaver provided some new marketing materials provided by Ecomaine. The card identifies 3 questions to ask to determine if a piece of material is recyclable. Chair Weaver wants to include this information in any workshops the committee may do.

Action Items:

No further action is required at this time

Item 3 – Beach Recycling

1. The committee is in agreement to move forward with a recycling initiative on the beach in the Summer. Committee will be recommending to town council that this should be included in the RFPs for the beach cleaning contract.

Item 3 - Beach recycling continued...

2. The recommendation will be to provide containers for recycling and container for non recyclable materials. Committee agrees separating out a third container for cans would be cumbersome.

Action Items

- Chair John Weaver to request an agenda item for the first town council meeting in December in order to present committee recommendations.

Item 4 – Pay to Throw

Chair John Weaver asked the committee if/how they'd like to proceed. It was agreed that the focus at this time would be beach recycling and pay to throw will be revisited in January 2012 after the new town council has been established.

Action Items

No action is required at this time

Item 5 - Scholarship

Returnables collected on the beach and in Town Square are intended to be turned in and the funds applied to a scholarship to an Old Orchard Beach High School Student. The containers are labeled as such and the committee is concerned that the representation is not being adhered to and administered. The intent of the recycling committee it to learn the amount currently on the Clink Account, ensure the committee is established (in cooperation with other town departments/committees that are vested) and ensure the funds are distributed in 2013.

Action Item

- Traci Gigkas to follow up on current state of clink account
- Traci Gikas to contact appropriate parties to learn of status of their committee
- Traci Gikas to work towards establishing a process to administer the scholarship
- Traci Gikas and John Weaver to discuss off line the history of the scholarship and committee members so Traci has detailed background on the matter.

Item 6 - Video Contest

The Recycling Committee would like to proceed with promoting a Video/film contest among school students to develop a promotional film/advertisement about recycling in Old Orchard Beach.

The committee would like approximately \$1200.00 in order to provide some funds to students for materials and additional funds for winners with a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place award:

Action Items

- Patricia Driscoll to follow up with Town Manager regarding the funds needed and approval process for funds. Also timeline to receive the funds.

Item 7 - Silver Bullets

No longer under the direction of the recycling committee

Item 8 – New Business

Outstanding action items/updates from previous meetings:

- Patricia Driscoll did receive approval from Town Manager's office to send out a welcome letter (on town letter head) to new home owners in Old Orchard Beach from the recycling committee with information on how to recycle. Patricia to provide a letter to the committee at the next meeting for committee approval.
- John Weaver to provide facebook administration to committee secretary.
- Committee did not hear back on dedicated expense account. On hold until election as new charter proposal addresses this.

New business continued:

Karen Lambert is a town resident who came to the committee and introduced herself. The committee has encouraged her to fill out an application to join the committee.

Action Items

No further action required at this time.

Item 9 - Good and Welfare

No comments at good and welfare.

Action Items

No further action is required at this time

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned t 9:05 P.M.

Next meeting date: Tuesday, November 8th, 2011

Location: 40 E.E. Cummings Blvd (Old Orchard Beach High School), Room 108
Motion to adjourn.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Patricia Driscoll