

Old Orchard Beach Recycling Committee  
Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 8th, 2011  
Location: Old Orchard Beach High School Room 108

Present: Fred Dolgon, John Weaver (left before meeting adjourned), Patricia Driscoll, Traci Gikas  
Public Attendees: John Bird, 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

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Acceptance of meeting minutes from October 25, 2011. Traci Gikas made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as is. Fred Dolgon seconded. Minutes were accepted and approved as is.

### Action Items

*No further action required.*

## Item 2 – Budget

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Chair John Weaver wanted to revisit the discussion the committee had the previous week regarding the recycling committee budget. According to Mr. Weaver the recycling committee has a \$4,000.00 budget similar to the previous years. According to Chair Weaver some of this money is earmarked for a pay to throw marketing budget. No budget was presented at the meeting.

### Action Items:

*No further action is required at this time*

## Item 3 – Beach Recycling

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1. John Weaver emailed a request to Robert Quinn of Town Council to request an agenda item on the December 6, 2011 Town Council Meeting Agenda. The agenda item is to request the town include recycling in the RFP from the beach cleaning companies.

### *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.
3. Tracy Gikas is continuing research into other beach front communities and how they handle this and will be prepared to present on the December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting.

#### Action Items

- Be prepared at the next meeting to discuss who to speak at the meeting and what process we suggest in the RFP.

## Item 4 – Scholarship

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Traci Gikas is continuing to work on this.

#### Action Items

- Traci to provide further information on coordination of administering the scholarship at the next meeting.

## Item 5 - DVD Contest

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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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 6 - NEW ITEM - Styrofoam

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Vice Chair Dolgon has requested the committee begin working on a campaign to stop the usage of Styrofoam in restaurants in Old Orchard Beach. Committee is on agreement and are going to begin working on a campaign.

### Action Items

Patricia Driscoll to provide contact information for BRASS (Bar and Restaurant Association) so that committee can coordinate a meeting to discuss the possibility.

## Item 7 - Silver Bullets

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Chair John Weaver left meeting prior to this agenda item.

## Item 8 – What Else Can We Do to Increase Recycling Rates?

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See Item 6.

## Item 9 - New Business/Good and Welfare

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Karen Lambert expressed concern over the types of bags some grocery stores are now using.

Committee Members Volunteered to bring reusable bags for her at the next meeting.

# Adjournment

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Meeting was adjourned t 9:05 P.M.

Next meeting date: Tuesday, November 22, 2011

Location: Town Hall Council Chambers. 1 Portland Avenue, Old Orchard Beach, ME

*Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Patricia Driscoll*