

**Old Orchard Beach Recycling Committee
Meeting, Tuesday, November 10, 2009
Location: Old Orchard Beach High School Library**

Present: Jetta Antonakos, Fred Dolgan, Cris Hudson, Suzanne Scalise and John Weaver
Not Present: Bill Farley, Jacqui Deveneau

7:07 PM Meeting convened.

Item I:

Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes from 09-22-09 up for approval

John W motioned to accept the minutes

Freddy seconded

All in favor

Meeting minutes accepted

Item II:

Silver Bullet

-Items being left

i.e.-furniture, mattresses, mattress springs, TV's, microwave ovens, bikes etc.

-John took care of the mattress by dropping it off at the department of public works

-Cris has been checking the bullet pretty regularly-breaks down boxes and removes items

-At this point the bullet gets picked up when full

7-8 days and then John calls for it to be picked up

-2nd bullet placed for the summer

At this point the bullets are monitored by recycling members

Possible location-Smithwheel road/public works area

-Talk of Green Hotels

-find out what the name of the organization that supports green hotels

-are there any hotels that are totally green? Any in OOB? Colony Hotel in Kennebunkport is believed to have gone green.

-Cris will be tasked with finding out the name of the organization and do some follow up.

-Freddy will create a diploma which would say that a hotel/motel/Inn supports OOB recycling.

-possible article in local paper which speaks to those businesses that support recycling and what they do.

Item III:

Swap Shop

The ideal swap shop

Would be a building manned by someone who can repair items and instruct people in making repairs.

Jetta gave an example of a town which was given a grant and had volunteer senior citizens to who manned the swap shop and offered to do repairs.

What would be needed for a successful swap shop:

Space, space to organize, need a permit for the swap shop?


Is there any grant money out there to set up a swap shop to get started?

Are there other options besides a swap shop?

Where should a swap shop be located?

Possibility of putting together a comprehensive list that can be posted on the website where people can take things instead of dropping them off at the silver bullet?

Freddy has been tasked with putting together a list of groups that accept donations of used goods.


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Item IV:

Table Sign

Jetta has designed/put together a sign and has a copy on a disc.

The plan is to post it on foam board. Copies could be made and placed at town hall, the public library, schools, the chamber of commerce, the post office in OP, local restaurants and other central locations.

The sign should be approximately 24" x 36"

The sign can also be used at tables where the committee sets up for public events

Jetta brought the OOB recycling committee video/disc to show to other recycling people.

~~Possible to post the video on the web site?~~

John brought up that he would like to recognize Phil Maynard, some how, for all his work on the video the recycling committee did with him, possibly mention him at the next town council meeting?

John said he will write a thank you and Sharri McDonald can decide on the presentation of a formal thank you

Item V:

Downtown Recycling

There are certain downtown areas that are cleaned by a company called Extreme Clean

Cris would like to contact BBI about barrels/drums for recycling

Extreme Clean would need to be contracted to pick up recycling

What would actually be recycled from downtown? Realistically, bottles and cans.

Would need to do a waste audit, randomly, 2-3 times to get a better idea of what could be recycled.

Need a map of OOB to look at where to place barrels for recycling. (should be able to get a map from the chamber of commerce)

How many recycling containers would be needed? How many trash cans are put out now?

What are the different options for containers? Not just barrels. What could be brought to public events that are collapsible? Possibly have local businesses sponsor barrels and have their names put on recycling containers.

Adopt-a-can?

Item VI:

Group presentation

What do groups need to know?

Cris is willing to help with a presentation. John Weaver will work with her.

Target: Chamber of Commerce, BRASS, OOB365

Item VII:

Website and Cable Access TV

-EcoMaine has its' own video that will be on the cable access channel

-30 second videos from Maine high schools could be run also

Item VIII:

New Business

Recycling committee should be meeting with the conservation committee

Maine State gov has some good information regarding composting

What are the real costs involved with composting?

John motioned to adjourn

Cris seconded

8:40 PM the meeting adjourned.

The next scheduled meeting is for the second Tuesday in December, December 8, 2009.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Scalise

Secretary Old Orchard Beach Recycling Committee