

Recycling Committee Minutes

August 22, 2023

Meeting convened at 3:00 p.m.

Attending: Dave Poklemba, Rachel Bartlett, Hailey Mackey and Bill McGahie (attending as a townsperson)

Meeting began with an overview of the history of the group, from the Recycling Advisory group in 2020, the goals set for the current group in 2021, and the accomplishments of the group in 2022. Discussion followed regarding the group research regarding the options of outsourcing or PAYT (Pay As You Throw). Outsourcing was found to not be feasible, so the option of PAYT was discussed at length.

- Information regarding trucking costs is needed
- Information regarding containers is needed
- Information regarding composting options at the transfer station is needed
- Planning for a November public discussion of the PAYT option

Concerns for the committee cover not only the costs associated with running the transfer station, but the environmental costs of the volume of waste that is placed in the compactor that could/should be recycled.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 19 at 3:00. At that time, it is hoped to have some other people invited to add their particular expertise in areas mentioned above.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Rachel Bartlett