

**EAST AMWELL TOWNSHIP
 RECYCLING COMMITTEE MINUTES
 BUSINESS MEETING
 July 10, 2018 - TUESDAY, 7:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Recycling Committee was called to order at 7:37 PM on July 10, 2018 in the Small Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, 1070 Route 202/31, Ringoes, NJ by A. Castellano.

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this was a regularly scheduled meeting pursuant to the Annual Meeting Notice as published in the January 18, 2018 issue of the Hunterdon County Democrat. A copy of the agenda was forwarded to the Hunterdon County Democrat, filed in the Township Clerk’s Office, and posted on the Bulletin Board on July 3, 2018.

2018 ATTENDANCE

Recycling Committee Member	1/9/18	2/13/18	3/13/18	4/10/18	5/8/18	6/12/18	7/10/18	8/14/18	9/11/18	10/9/18	11/13/18	12/11/18
Will Harrison	X	X	X	X	X	X	E					
Alison Castellano	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Ron O’Reilly		X	X	X	X	X	X					
Erica Johanson	X	A	X	X*	X*	X	E					
Tom Rue	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Mark Gunn		X	X	X	X	E	X					
Kevin Ostrander		X	A	X	X	E	A					

Others present: Coordinator, Rosemary Georgett,

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – None present.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - The minutes from the June 12, 2018 meeting were put forward and A. Castellano made a motion that was seconded by M. Gunn to accept the minutes without edit. All members carried unanimously.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – VII. Old Business

E. Recycling Education for the community – NJ DEP letter regarding municipal recycling challenges

REPORTS -

Youth Report: O. Ostrander was not present to report.

Depot Report: July 2018 – E. Johanson was not present and had provided a written report. M. Gunn reported that it was busy with 73 cars, paper almost full, plastic & glass half full. Further he said we need to empty the foam container and T. Rue agreed he will address this. E. Johanson had suggested in an email that we reduce clean out the satchel. A. Castellano asked that Dept Lead information on the meeting agenda and minutes be updated to reflect the coming months. It was discussed and agreed that the satchel would be left in the foam palace after Depot where it can easily be retrieved by the next Depot lead.

DEPOT LEAD ASSIGNMENTS

May 5, 2018	K. Ostrander	Reported at May 8 th meeting
June 2, 2018	T. Rue	Reported at June 12 th meeting
July 7, 2018	E. Johanson	Reported at July 10 th meeting
August 4, 2018	R. O'Reilly	
September 1, 2018	M. Gunn	
October 6, 2018	T. Rue	

Township Committee Update: K. Ostrander was not present to report.

Environmental Commission Report: T. Rue had nothing to report

FOSPC: T. Rue said the meeting was canceled so there is nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS -

Styrofoam: see report under Depot

Township Website: A. Castellano said the only change from last meeting is the timing. The new launch date is October 4, 2018.

Spring Clean Up Day Rules: Table to next meeting with W. Harrison present

Recycling Volunteer List: Table to next meeting with W. Harrison present.

INVOICES: None

CORRESPONDENCE –

- A. R. O'Reilly stated that the Thank you letter to Shop Rite was well done.
- B. Community Recycling Education, NJ DEP letter - T. Rue said it's difficult to do anything about the issues, and some discussion followed regarding using the website to educate and information as the new website will attract attention. T. Rue said it's about education and potentially we could look at the websites for towns such as Fair Lawn & Point Pleasant mentioned in the DEP letter to see if there are ideas we could adopt. A. Castellano said the main issue is contamination. There was discussion that some recycling companies do a great job while others put all into the same container. Some ideas were shared about doing a competition, creating educational materials, and possibly labels for recycling containers. A. Castellano asked if other than the website, do we want to send out a mailer. After further discussion it was agreed that Committee members should review the material in the DEP letter and email E. Johanson shared. At the next meeting the committee will 1) identify the information we want in our recycling education material and decide on content/topic 2) determine how do we want to present (flier, labels, etc) the education material 3) when and how can we distribute the education material, and discuss opportunities to monitor to track recycling improvement through the Depot.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OPEN TO PUBLIC – No public was present.

OPEN TO COMMITTEE – No comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by M. Gunn which was seconded by T. Rue and carried unanimously to adjourn at 8:06 p.m.

Rosemary Georgett, Recycling Coordinator

CC: Rec. Com. Members
Recreation Com.
Environmental Com.

Board of Health
Planning Board Zoning
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Board of Adjustment
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