

EAST AMWELL TOWNSHIP

RECYCLING COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 10, 2012 - TUESDAY, 7:30 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The January 2012 Reorganization Meeting of the East Amwell Township Recycling Committee was called to order officially at 7:32 P. M. by Will Harrison, Chairperson.

II. MINUTES - Minutes of the December 13, 2011 business meeting were approved with no corrections/additions/changes. There were two abstentions. (M. Petrus/J. Corboy)

III. ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

J. Corboy/Coordinator chaired this portion of the meeting. Motion to open nominations was made by M. Petrus and seconded by M. Dessel. J. Corboy called for nominations from the floor for the 2012 Chairperson. M. Petrus nominated W. Harrison as Chairperson. M. Dessel seconded the motion. Coordinator called for any other nominations and there were none. Nominations were closed by M. Petrus and a second was received from M. Dessel. W. Harrison was voted into office unanimously.

Motion was made by M. Petrus to open the nominations for Vice-Chairperson. This motion was seconded by M. Dessel. Coordinator called for nominations for Vice-Chairperson. M. Petrus nominated S. Katz for this position. J. Bradstreet seconded the motion. No other nominations were received and nominations were closed by M. Petrus and seconded by M. Dessel. S.Katz was elected as Vice-Chairperson unanimously.

Prior to the reading of the Resolution, secretary distributed list of 2012 meeting dates.

RESOLUTION: Secretary read the 2012 Resolution and asked for a motion that we continue to hold the Recycling Committee meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM. Motion was made by W. Harrison and seconded by M. Petrus and it was approved by all. Secretary will forward the Resolution to the Hunterdon County Democrat for publication in Legal Public Notices.

IV. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – There were no additions to the agenda.

V. REPORTS

A. Depot Report – January 2012 – The January 2012 Depot Day was distributed to members by W. Harrison prior to tonight’s meeting via e-mail. 60 vehicles were serviced, plus there were many more customers before and after our regular operating hours. Paper/cardboard dumpster was 80% full and the glass/plastic one was 35% full. By Sunday afternoon, the cardboard one was completely full, above capacity and the plastic dumpster was 65% full. W. Harrison reported that he found cardboard stored next to the shed. He stated that we need to discourage this practice because of possible weather conditions. He also reported that one of the dumpsters had been sprung so that the gate would not latch. He came back with a cable puller and was able to winch the side inward to successfully latch the door. W. Harrison sent an e-mail to Raritan

Waste Disposal reiterating our request for dumpsters in good working order and in fairly clean condition. There was also a problem with cars parked in the area where the dumpsters were to be set. The Volunteer List will be updated shortly and a new copy will be made for the satchel and e-mailed to all members. Additional items came in for East Amwell School TerraCycle program. Refreshment were donated this month.

B. Environmental Commission Report – M. Petrus reported that the Environmental Commission did not meet in December 2011.

C. Township Committee Report – No representative was present, thus, no report was received.

D. SWAC Report – SWAC held a special meeting on December 20 2011 with a quorum present, solely regarding the effort of the Freeholders to change the SWAC by-laws without first consulting them. The changed by-laws were subsequently agreed to by both parties and a copy was attached to the SWAC Report. SWAC will meet on February 21, 2012 for their re-organizational meeting.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Articles for the VIP - W. Harrison stated that he will prepare an article for the February VIP on batteries. J. Bradstreet plans to prepare an article for the March VIP.

VI. Invoices - None received.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

A. E-mail message from W. Harrison, 1/8/12, re: Defective 30yd. Rolloff 846

B. List of East Amwell Township Reorganization Meetings - 2012

C. Letter from G. J. Watson/DEP, 12/11, re: Recycling Poetry Contest Calendar

D. E-Mail message from T. Stahl, 12/8/11, re: State Mandated Recycling Requirements

E. Article from MNN Network – “Seattle (finally) bans plastic shopping bags”

F. Various Minutes and Agendas

G. Resource Recycling Magazine – December 2011

H. Postcard from Recycle Your Plastics

VIII. NEW BUSINESS -

A. 2012 Goals – Preliminary Discussion - Members reviewed the 2011 Goals. Minor wording changes were suggested by W. Harrison under “Continue to Run Drop-Off Depots.” Under # 4, “Newsletter” will be dropped. Under # 9, members suggested adding the wording “municipal building” to the end of the sentence. Secretary will make the changes and have the 2012 Goals ready for the members to vote on at the next meeting.

B. Clean-Up Day - 2012 - Preliminary Discussion - Members discussed and W. Harrison suggested that we hold 2012 Annual Clean-Up Day on April 28, 2012. M. Petrus made the motion to hold the 2012 Clean-Up Day on April 28, 2012. J. Bradstreet seconded the motion and all were in favor. W. Harrison will contact Good Will Industries to provide a truck for usable items. Secretary will notify the Township Committee and Raritan Waste Disposal, as well as B. Hummel and the Recreation Committee.

- IX. Open to the Public – No public present.
- X. Open to the Committee – No comments received.
- XI. Adjournment – 8:15 PM.

(J. Bradstreet/M. Dessel)

Respectfully submitted by

Joyce S. Corboy
Recycling Coordinator

PRESENT: W. Harrison, M. Petrus, M. Dessel, J. Bradstreet J. Corboy, Coordinator/Secretary

ABSENT: M. DiDonato, S. Katz, E. Sailer, E. Johanson

NOTE: These minutes have been formally approved by the Recycling Committee at their February 14, 2012 meeting.

NEXT MEETING: February 14, 2012 - 7:30 PM

cc: Rec. Com. Members	Board of Health	Twp. Committee & Clerk
Recreation Com.	Planning Board	Zoning Board of Adjustment
Environ. Com.	Twp. Bulletin Board	Farmland & Open Space Preservation