

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES
January 15, 2020

The Town of Orange Recycling Committee met at the High Plains Community Center on December 18, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM. Chair, Mitch Goldblatt presided.

In Attendance: Mitch Goldblatt, Wendy Novick, Ilene Moyher, Mark Moyher, Patrick Legault, Karen Della-Giustina and Loretta Smith **Guest:** Susan Wineland

Public Input: Susan Wineland attended the meeting to inquire about such issues as banning plastics bags and straws and to see if we might coordinate some type of educational time with any other committees like the Orange Garden Club. Mitch answered her questions and then Sue stayed for the entire meeting to see what items we covered and hear how we go about improving recycling in our town.

Minutes Approval: Ilene Moyher made a motion and Karen Della-Giustina seconded to approve the minutes of December 18, 2019. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Financial Update: No financial changes took place in the prior month

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE ACCOUNT

01/15/2020		1-056-890-90-956-50
	2018	
Balance Forward		(\$4,683.70)
	2019	
ST CT DEEP Reimbursement	\$6,373.78	\$1,690.08
Vent Plastic Bags	(\$187.93)	\$1,502.15
Affordable Solutions	(\$475.00)	\$1,027.15
Fast Designs (New Banner)	(\$221.00)	\$806.15
Barker Specialty (Bin Stickers)	(\$945.00)	(\$138.85)
Reimbursement – Rotary	\$475.00	\$336.15
Town of Orange	\$1,700.00	\$2,036.15
Vent Plastic Bags	(\$180.81)	\$1,855.45
County Fair Donuts	(\$134.40)	\$1,720.94
Affordable Solutions	(\$475.00)	\$1,245.94
Reimbursement – Rotary	\$475.00	\$1,720.94


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Residential Recycling Rates:

MONTH	2018	2019	DELTA
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January	92.71	89.67	-3.3%
February	78.26	62.45	-20.2%
March	77.26	68.34	-11.5%
April	77.20	81.21	5.2%
May	97.21	88.51	-8.9%
June	85.46	76.73	-10.2%
July	77.82	82.54	6.1%
August	88.71	76.48	-13.8%
September	68.54	71.65	4.5%
October	90.08	82.81	-8.1%
November	91.76	79.09	-13.8%
December	81.85	77.95	-4.8%
YTD Total	1006.86	937.43	-6.9%

Old Business:

Shredding Day: The next shredding day will take place on Saturday April 25, 2020. Mitch will reach out to the Orange Community Women to see if they would like to participate in collecting household items. We will have the Rotary Club present to accept donations and residents can drop off old mattresses again. Mitch Goldblatt will reach out to Ken Lenz to see if the Lions Club will offer home pick-up as they have done in the past. Ilene Moyher will start to post about this event on social media and our website so town residents will be aware of the spring event.

Pink Bag Pick-ups: The picking up of the pink bags is still a work in process as we had some issues during this past holiday month with bags are not getting picked up or no new pink bags are being left after pickup. We have contacted Simple Recycle as we continue to work with them to improve the overall situation.

Rack N Pac Shed Replacement: Chris Prokop and Mitch Goldblatt recently met with the manager at the Home Depot in Orange to see if they would be willing to donate a new shed to the Transfer Station. We initially got a positive response, but a decision is still pending in their corporate office at this time so we are waiting for their response and remain hopeful they will approve it. In the meantime, we have approved to spend up to \$500 if Home Depot decides not to make the donation.

New Business:

Recycling Calendars: Wendy Novick sent out an email to ask if anyone had any old calendars lying around the house with animal and nature pictures in them. If so, could we collect and donate them to the Amity Art Department to have for using in projects with the children. There were several calendars brought to the meeting and Ilene Moyher will pass them on to the teacher.

Spring Forum: We had a lot of success last year when we invited Sherrill Baldwin from CT DEEP Source Reduction and Recycling to come speak at the town library to educate residents on the What's In, What's Out program for recycling in the state. Therefore, Mitch Goldblatt is going to contact Sherrill to see if she will be available for a repeat of her program as the rules are always changing and the residents have many good questions to ask.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Wednesday, February 19, 2020

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM after a motion by Karen Della-Giustina, seconded by Ilene Moyher and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Moyher
Secretary