

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE
Draft MINUTES
Wednesday, August 17, 2022

The Town of Orange Recycling Committee met in person at High Plains Community Center on Wednesday August 17, 2022. The Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. Chair, Mitch Goldblatt presided.

In Attendance: Mitch Goldblatt, Susan Wineland, Loretta Smith, Wendy Novick, Lara Wu, Chris Prokop, and Mark Moyher.

Public Input: None

Minutes Approval: Susan Wineland made a motion and Wendy Novick seconded to approve the minutes of July 20, 2022. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Financial Update: We received our yearly stipend to the budget from the Town of \$1,800 this month.

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE ACCOUNT

08/16/2022

1-056-890-90-956-50

2021

Balance Forward **\$2,763.60**

2022

Vent Plastic Bags	(\$242.01)	\$2,521.59
Affordable Solutions	(\$550.00)	\$1,971.59
Rotary Club – Reimbursement	\$550.00	\$2,521.59
Tad Martin – Shed Repair	(\$75.00)	\$2,446.59
Barker Specialty – Yard Signs	(\$749.50)	\$1,697.09
Barker Specialty – Cloths	(\$438.68)	\$1,258.41
Ilene Moyher – Website Domain	(\$50.72)	\$1,207.69
Orange Country Fair Fee	(\$135.00)	\$1,072.69
Ilene Moyher – Web Hosting	(\$280.76)	\$791.93
Vent Plastic Bags	(\$300.31)	\$491.62
FastSigns – Sign for Shed	(\$184.84)	\$306.78
Town of Orange	\$1,800.00	\$2,106.78

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RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Residential Recycling Rates:

MONTH	2021	2022	DELTA

January	73.49	74.06	0.8%
February	64.09	63.41	-1.1%
March	83.67	68.55	-18.1%
April	79.70	68.47	-14.1%
May	76.55	72.94	-4.7%
June	85.11	75.58	-11.2%
July	79.41	70.71	-11.0%
August	77.61		
September	71.87		
October	63.37		
November	82.89		
December	99.87		
YTD Total	542.02	493.72	-8.9%

**Simple Recycling
Textile Rates:**

	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Paid</u>		<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Paid</u>
<u>2022</u>				<u>2021</u>			
January	761	\$0.0575	\$43.75	January	11,343	\$0.0575	\$652.22
February	578	\$0.0575	\$33.23	February	8,004	\$0.0575	\$460.23
March	293	\$0.0575	\$16.85	March	9,780	\$0.0575	\$562.35
April	302	\$0.0575	\$17.37	April	12,941	\$0.0575	\$744.11
May	759	\$0.0575	\$43.64	May	10,335	\$0.0575	\$594.26
June	640	\$0.0575	\$36.80	June	9,608	\$0.0575	\$552.46
July				July	7,132	\$0.0575	\$410.09
August				August	4,991	\$0.0575	\$286.98
September				September	172	\$0.0575	\$9.89
October				October	652	\$0.0575	\$37.49
Nov				Nov	575	\$0.0575	\$33.06
Dec				Dec	310	\$0.0575	\$17.83
YTD Total	3,333	\$0.0575	\$191.64	YTD Total	76,335	\$0.0575	\$4,389.26

Old Business:

Plastic Bags and Wrap: The Recycling Committee has been keeping up with collecting the plastic bags and wraps and delivering them to Home Depot. Volunteer dates for the next month's pickup will be collected at each meeting by Mitch Goldblatt. All members will then be sent an email with the dates they signed up for as a reminder of who is doing the pickup and delivery on what day. It's very important we keep the 3 day a week schedule filled in order to ensure the shed won't get over crowded.

HazWaste Day: We have been assigned Saturday October 15, 2022 to volunteer on. The location site is The Regional Water Authority located at 90 Sargent Drive in New Haven. Mark Moyher and Chris Prokop will be available for volunteering on the October date.

Orange Country Fair: Mark Moyher is using SignUpGenius and has asked all Recycling Committee members to sign up for blocks of time on Saturday and Sunday September 17 and 18, 2022 to volunteer at our booth. Chris Prokop has volunteered to do the set up on Friday night September 16 to bring items to the booth as preparation for Saturday. Mark Moyher will do the Sunday close and wrap up once the Fair ends. After Labor Day, Mark Moyher will receive one parking pass sticker, four admission passes and the layout of our tent showing where our booth will be located. Chris Prokop will use the parking pass on Saturday and Mark Moyher will use it on Sunday since they have the most volunteer spots on these days. We will also have two admission passes each day so we will alternate days and people once I get everybody signed up to determine who, on each day, will get one. Nadine O'Brien has agreed to partner with us again in handing out free donuts to the children who stop by our booth and participate in answering recycling questions. We will pay the donut bill, at a discount, on behalf of our give away after all the tickets Nadine collects are counted up.

Next Shredding Day: We have confirmed Saturday, October 8, 2022 as the day to host our next event. In addition to Shredding and the Mattress collection, the Orange Community Women will be on hand to collect, toys, small appliances and clothing under the Pavilion. A motion to purchase 50 new signs for the event at a cost up to \$600 was made by Mark Moyher and seconded by Loretta Smith. It carried unanimously. Ilene Moyher will work on the new sign layout and have it ready by Tuesday September 6, 2022 to insure we have time to place the order and receive the signs back to put them out before the event.

New Business:

Milford-Orange Times Articles: Ilene Moyher stepped up and wrote the previous article for Loretta Smith. At this point in time Loretta has decided to continue writing the articles for the paper.

Glass Separation: Mitch Goldblatt recently spoke with Bob Brinton about glass recycling at the Transfer Station. There is a lot to discuss to see if something can be done in the future. However, Oak Ridge is getting acquired so might be an opportunity to work with their new personnel on this topic once the transition has taken place.

Approval of 2021-2022 Annual Report: Mitch Goldblatt sent us all a copy of the Annual Report to review. A motion was made by Susan Wineland to approve it with one minor change being made to the Simple Recycling rate in the report which was seconded by Chris Prokop. It carried unanimously.

Other New Business:

Cardboard Trailer: Chris Prokop will reach out to Marcus Paper's President Steven Zamkov to see if they are willing to put up a structure to keep the weather elements from getting the cardboard wet which contaminates the load, reducing the amount of money that can be collected versus a load of dry cardboard. Even if they are willing to cover some of the cost we can bring it to the First Selectmen, Jim Zeoli, to ask the town to cover the difference since it would benefit everybody.

Hazardous Waste at the Transfer Station: It was recently brought to Mark Moyher's attention on his last visit to the Transfer Station that some hazardous waste materials were left behind and these items are not accepted at any time. Mitch Goldblatt was able to get the Town a onetime exemption to have the Transfer Station bring the materials to the Regional Water Authority at no cost. This brings up the necessity to have the Town hire, at the very least, a part time attendant to oversee what residents are bringing into the Transfer Station and lend assistance as needed.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Wednesday, September 21, 2022

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM after a motion by Mark Moyher, seconded by Wendy Novick and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Moyher
Secretary