

The minutes of the Provincetown Recycling and Renewable Energy Committee meeting March 3, 2016 in Caucus Room at Town Hall, 260 Commercial St., Provincetown, MA

Meeting called to order at 10:06am. Members present -- Lydia Hamnquist, Laura Ludwig, Elise Cozzi, Anna Meade (member, staff and CVEC rep); Members excused -- Jen Rumpza; Eric Larsen (staff).

1) Minutes – Lydia moved to accept the minutes from 2/18/16. Elise seconded and all were in favor. Lydia will submit them to Doug.

2) Bottle filling stations – Elise reached out to Beautification committee requesting support for the purchase of a station in the East End Playground. Beautification was not able to address the request at their last meeting but will bring it up at their next meeting.

3) Year-Rounder's – We will present info on solar programs; bottle filling stations; recycling; plastic bags; storm drains. Cape Light Compact may join our table. Highlight cost savings of LED streetlight installation (80% savings over original costs or \$30k/yr. savings over original lights); provide info on transfer station income from Textiles, Metal, Mattresses. Elise suggested posting the LED savings stat on the Facebook page. Laura will do that. Lydia revised the Recycling flyer to include info on helium, plastic bags and smoking ban on beaches. We will add one panel on the back, "REDUCE – RE-USE – RECYCLE" and highlight anticipated water bottle filling stations and storm drain awareness. Cape Light Compact will not be coming to YRF, so we'll have some of their info at our table.

4) Storm drains – Anna provided images and styles for drain markers. They are available in hard plastic and aluminum. We prefer the metal ones over the plastic ones, in the event that it is accidentally removed. Eric would prefer the type that is applied to the curb w/adhesive. She has requested samples. We decided a whale fluke would be the symbol if possible.

5) Eric updates – 30 trash cans will be arriving within 2 weeks. He got the quote for the bottle filling station, \$3800. Our \$1500 will add to Rec Dept. \$2300 which covers the total cost. Once the design has been determined we can determine what the best signage would be. We will use VSB funds to have a complementary sign made. Eric suggested using a graphic on all signage for easy identification. He will look at the income generated by transfer station for our use at YRF. He reported the recent retrofit of the Library's first floor lighting, swapping 42w bulbs for 11w LEDs for a savings of 124kw/wk, a huge savings.

6) Recycling Facility Road-trip – Lydia looked into organizing a field visit of the town's recycling provider prior to July. The town is currently in negotiation with a vendor so we will wait until the contract is signed. Market is so depressed that costs are increasing across the board.

Next Meeting tentatively scheduled for Thursday, March 24 @ 10am. Laura moved to adjourn, Elise 2nded. The motion passed 4-0 and meeting was adjourned at 11:33am.