

Provincetown Recycling and Renewable Energy Committee
Minutes of meeting 6/12/15
Caucus Room, Town Hall

Meeting called to order at 10am

Members present: Lydia Hamnquist, Laura Ludwig, Elise Cozzi, Jen Rumpza

1. Approve Minutes - Lydia moved to approve the minutes for both 5/14/15 and 5/27/15; Laura seconded and all were in favor.
2. CABP - Laura will check to see whether LCC funds can be extended into next year, and use the VSB funds for expenses this year.
3. Plastic Bags - Lydia brought in a bag that is being distributed at Adams Pharmacy and measured it with the micrometer (which Elise brought in). The bag measured less than 1.5 mil (closer to 1.2). Lydia will head over there and let them know the bags are illegal.
4. RREC bags at the Firehouse - They are selling like hotcakes. There are still shifts there available for us to use during the last week of June to promote the cloth bags and plastic bag ban, Solarize MA info, and recycling info. We will take turns in two-hour shifts.
5. Trash Can stickers - we are going to order new Super-Tac stickers from Indoff to replace the ones Lydia has made and placed on all the town trash barrels. We will spend down all of our budget for 2015 with that purchase.
6. New Business - Styrofoam marine debris - Jen alerted us to the presence of two very large blocks of white styrofoam that are down near the Provincetown Inn and the dyke which are shedding. Laura will investigate and work with Rex McKinsey to remove them.
Water bottle refilling stations — we would like to begin the process of eventually banning single-use plastic water bottles (under a gallon) sold in town. To that end, we will design an outreach campaign and approach the goal in phases. Lydia will contact David Quinn to see whether he has any experience with installations or outreach campaigns. We will devise an outreach plan involving press releases and a timeline.
Restaurant Consulting Group- Jen would like to create a task force to work with restaurants to tackle the problems of trash vs. recycling. Straws are a huge issue.
Long-term goals - we would like to devise a year-long plan for our priorities. Before next meeting we will all write down our priorities and discuss a plan next meeting.
7. Set Date for Next Meeting — Weds Jun 24, 2p
Agenda - long term vision/goal for the RREC

Laura moved to adjourn; Lydia seconded and all were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:58am.