

# Recycling and Renewable Energy Committee Minutes from 16 November, 2011, 5 to 6pm Caucus Hall, Provincetown Town Hall

**Attending: Amy Germain, Scott Powell, Ghee Patrick, Lydia Hamnquist, and David Gardner**

Amy called the meeting to order at 5pm and we began with Sandy Turner's conversation with Casella. The conference call was on the 17th and James (gate attendant) and the new acting foreman were there to participate. The Casella representatives were Bob Kattilus and Steven Wenzel. They said the reason our recycling had been downgraded is because of a lack of fiber. They want more newspapers, magazines and milk cartons. Steven said he would come to Provincetown next week. Also, they are sending us a list of 'dos and don'ts'. Amy will e-mail Sandy to get this list. We are looking for more information about recyclable plastics.

Ghee is interested in the swap shop and Amy is going to request someone from there come to one of our meetings. Ghee also wants to know if there is a charge for dropping off metal and if so, why.

Amy says the VSB has put money aside for more recycling barrels but that we may not be able to send out our education pamphlets with the VSB mailings as they may not do one next year.

David had a Green Communities update. He is having a problem finding the time to coordinate all the utility bills. Amy suggested he get Seth to help straighten out the data. Also, David is interested in reorganizing some of the bookkeeping to make it easier for future criteria forms. He said that the form will be sent soon and that he needs someone to write out the answers to questions about town-wide plans. There are two grant cycles per year. Amy asked David about the CVEC meeting and he said that as soon as a vendor is picked, we will be notified. Very little interest from solar companies as there is only an acre available at the transfer station and the well field is a Chapter 97 issue. BOS is to meet with National Seashore rep on the 28th.

Scott says not sure if Green Festival will happen again. If it does, it will be in April and he will e-mail Tina from the festival to get her plans and see if she needs help. Amy suggested he speak with Candy from the Chamber of Commerce. Scott has written to PAAM and FAWC for logo ideas. Amy suggested PHS and that he speak with John Nelson at WOMR.

Ghee is not sure if she has the time to remain on the board. Scott moved to adjourn, Amy seconded and everyone voted to approve. Next meeting will be 30 November.

