



## **SSRC MSW Manager/Board Minutes**

**March 24, 2011, Whitman Town Hall**

**Accepted 4/28/2011**

**Sponsored by Office Recycling Solutions**

Attendance: **Abington:** Sharon White\*; **Cohasset:** Merle Brown\*, Mary Snow; **Hanover:** Steven Herrmann\*; **Hanson:** Deborah Brownell \*; **Hingham:** Brenda Black, Randy Sylvester\*; **Kingston:** Paul Basler\*, Gene Wyatt; **Plymouth:** Kerin McCall \*; **Scituate:** Kevin Cafferty\*; **Whitman:** Eric Badger \*, Elonie Bezanson\*, Bruce Martin, Dan Salvucci, Chris Walker.

Lori Besegai, **EOMS Recycling** ; Robert Griffin, **Marshfield**; Rosemary Nolan, **Weymouth**; Janine Delaney, Claire Sullivan, Ex. Dir., **SSRC**; Larry Barrett, consultant

\* Appointed Board Members

Chairman Merle Brown called the meeting to order at 9:15.

Brent Mancuso, Bill Smith presentation about **Office Recycling Solutions**

ORS warehouse in East Greenwich, RI is a computer, electronics and TV recycling company. ORS started as Cartridge World franchise, which does ink and toner remanufacturing. Owner Mike Mancuso saw demand for electronic waste recycling, which enabled startup of new company. Developed relationships with manufacturers of CRTs (Samsung, MRM (Panasonic, Toshiba, Sharp)), must comply with the E-Waste Producer Responsibility bill in RI. Manufacturers must pay a certain amount regardless of what is collected.

ORS works with Electronic Recyclers International, which processes CRT glass to clean glass. ORS does mechanical breakdown at the warehouse, consolidates, sorts components. Sells items with value on Ebay. Only components go overseas as commodities. Whole units sold in US only.

ORS partners with PackRat to provide 8'x8'x16' containers like PODS but cleaner, better access, security.

Does permanent collections, and collection events for many local municipalities, including Braintree, Quincy, Middleboro. Is a good way to raise money for non-profits, schools, libraries. Most RI groups charge \$1-2/item. Braintree charges \$5-20/item. Can suggest voluntary donations. Give 4-6 weeks notice for events.

Pricing: computers, stereos, ACs accepted at no charge. TVs, monitors, 10c/lb., average \$7/TV. Collection events are all at no charge. Can do at manufacturers' expense due to RI requirements. Weigh everything, furnish certificates of disposal.

No contract. Need a parking lot for an event. Work with ARCs, Open Doors.

Ms. Nolan added that Braintree does 3 collections/year, charge \$20 for >32". Quincy veterans did at VFW hall, 400 cars, despite free curbside option.

Mr. Herrmann asked: if permanent collection, 2 containers? Yes, preferably to separate monitors from n/c items. ORS can sort too. No rental fee for containers. Full pod of TVs would cost about \$500.

Mr. Sylvester asked if price negotiable: yes.

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Approve February **minutes**: Mr. Herrmann moved to accept as written, Mr. Basler seconded, incorrect date was noted, AIF

**Treasurer's report** -tabled

**Legislative breakfast** with PCHA, Barnstable County Highway Ass'n: SSRC is invited to their breakfast. Our previous events had been free in the past, but not in budget now. Those attending through the SSRC can go at \$25/person. EBoard decided that 1 Board rep/town may go free, all others at \$25. Must keep under \$500. Make reservations by April meeting.

**Christmas Trees**: Abington had a problem with Christmas tree disposal this year. Waste Solutions (hauler) tried to dump at Covanta Braintree, were rejected (waste ban item). Suggestions?

- Bring to compost site, chip? Hanover collects trees at compost site, don't like to chip due to tinsel and lights. Can't burn, EPA regs. Can't put at beach any more (plovers).
- Plymouth works with Plymouth Reprocessing (Balboni), they chip for 75c/tree.
- Whitman: Park and Tree guys drive trash routes, put on flatbeds, pickups, bring to yard, they chip.
- EOMS Recycling has sites that take trees. Email her at LBesegai@kingofcardboard.net.
- Whitman sends to a landscaper, will give contact info.
- Boralex in Maine uses for fuel, will pick up at no charge. (207) 246-2252

**Executive Director's Report:**

Waste Ban Compliance Plans – clarification by Jim Colman, MassDEP:

"Transfer stations less than 50 tpd are still under the jurisdiction of MassDEP until July 1, 2012. Although the statute that transferred responsibility to boards of health was passed on July 1, 2010, a subsequent statute (the Economic Development Act) passed in August extended the transfer station permits for two years. So, small transfer stations remain under MassDEP's jurisdiction, unless a board of health would like to take over the permit prior to that date.

The waste ban plans would have been extended along with the permits, but with the new ban on clean gypsum wallboard taking effect shortly, the plans need to be revised accordingly. Since the department still has jurisdiction over the small transfer stations, we are requiring revised plans to be sent to us."

**Regional Disposal bid** with Cape towns: Request for Expressions of Interest just released by Barnstable County. Responses due by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Contract intended to begin 1/2015. Fourteen towns on Cape plus the following SSRC towns are currently engaged in the process:

Abington, Cohasset, Duxbury, Hanover, Hanson, Kingston, Middleborough, Norwell, Plymouth.

Ms. Nolan noted that Boston sends 100K tons/year to SEMASS through Braintree at \$80/ton.

Bridge traffic is a concern for the Cape. Sites are starving for tonnage. It is impossible to project future rates.

**Latex Paint Collections**: Janine Delaney reported dates, locations, publicity will be separate from HHW publicity. The Paint Exchange (TPE) needs to secure and permit a storage location by early May. TPE will give out paint hardener, sticks.

This is a pilot, hope to grow. We don't know what we will get. We already turn people with latex paint away now, tell to dispose. Will do all we can to avoid turning people away who have good paint.

Email PR to board before release.

**Large rigid plastics** – becoming more feasible to collect.

**MassRecycle's CBS Paper Campaign sweepstakes**, video – sweepstakes end 2/27.

**Updated Bottle Bill** - Coalition meeting this afternoon.

**Whitman Program highlights** –Curbside, flat fee, weekly single stream, some drop-off at DPW. Bruce Martin: Commissioners voted to start mandatory recycling 7/1/11, developing flyers for water bills to educate the people that trash fee may go down with cooperation. Hope to reduce disposal, increase recycling. Del Prete (hauler) has already gone through the process in Rockland of people putting out empty bins, visible recyclables in trash.

Have compost site, open spring and fall Saturdays, staffed by 2 men on weekends. Give compost to residents, who pay \$2 for a sticker to check residency. Local landscapers can dump for \$500/year. TV/computer, propane, tire dropoff at DPW, \$10/TV. Oversight could be better, short staff, get occasional surprises.

\$250/year per household for curbside trash and recycling. Del Prete hauls. Near end of 10 year disposal contract with SEMASS, 12/12, \$99/ton. Anticipate big reduction in new contract.

Whitman allows one large item /week, must call in ahead.

**Abington** just went to 3 barrel maximum, disposal cost dropped **by \$10K first 3 weeks**. Used for educational opportunities. Hired 2 compliance officers to enforce mandatory recycling. Had illegal dumping at school, found identity, board fined \$200. Do Trash Talk on cable. Hauler tags barrel with reason for non pickup, keeps log and provides a list of violators to the town daily.

**New business** : Mr. Sylvester requested that Ms. Sullivan ask ORS for a group rate. Abington, Whitman would be interested, possibly Hanover (ask Victor).

CRTRecycling takes Expanded Polystyrene.

EOMS is donating services for green events, Brockton, Plymouth scheduled so far. Contact her if interested [LBesegai@kingofcardboard.net](mailto:LBesegai@kingofcardboard.net)

Next meetings: Thurs. April 21, Hanover -conflicts with PCHA- reschedule to **April 28**. May 26, Middleboro

11:15 Adjourn.