



SSRC MSW Manager/Board Minutes

January 21, 2014, Norwell Town Hall

Accepted 2/20/2014

Attendance: **Abington:** Sharon White*, Lorraine Mavrogeorge; **Cohasset:** Mary Snow*; **Hingham:** Brenda Black*, Randy Sylvester*; **Norwell:** Brian Flynn*, Vicky Spillane*; **Rockland:** Rudy Childs*; **Scituate:** Kevin Cafferty*; **Weymouth:** Bob O'Connor*

Kathryn Larsen, **Bay State Textile**; Janine Delaney, **MassDEP**; Claire Sullivan Galkowski, **SSRC**

*appointed Board representatives

Treasurer Mary Snow called to order at 9:20

Approve December minutes: Ms. Delaney noted an error in Ply recy rate. Mr. O'Connor moved to accept as amended, Ms Snow seconded. AIF

Annual report; Director asked if send detailed quantifiable benefits to all towns, even if it shows low quantifiable benefits? Cohasset due 2/10, Hingham due 2/19. Mr O'connor moved to approve with the last page optional, Ms., White seconded, AIF

Book recycling: GotBooks is liquidating. Weymouth got a notice in the mail from trustee. Director will send out. Abington has been having trouble with payments for about 2 years. Hingham got a pickup recently. Weymouth box was emptied yesterday. Is value in getting them out of waste stream, would like to know tonnage.

Should SSRC do a bid? Scituate, Abington, Cohasset, Hingham, Norwell would be interested. People are accustomed to using these containers, continuity important.

March Event planning: Award committee: Janine, Lorraine. Planned for Friday, 3/14 or 3/21. Friday might not be a good day, many Town Managers leave at noon. Thursday lunch would be better. SEMRC is Wed., 3/13. Plan for 3/20 or 3/27. Check with John Fischer, other orgs for conflicts.

Seeking nominations for Environmental Hero awards. See below.

Executive Director Report:

Newsletter – please review ssrcoop.info/index.php/news-a-media/news-media-newsletters

Grind Screen bid- just released, due on 2/11 in Scituate. Will vote award at next meeting.

IMA extension- is it on everyone's warrant? Yes.

2013 Data Week-Director and Janine would like to help towns with surveys in person. Director seeks additional information, i.e. vendors, pricing. Some struggle with ReTrac, never sure if it is submitted, can make mistakes easily. Can't print, can't make changes. (JD: can save as PDF) Link to 2013 survey was sent by Tina last week. Some changes from last year. Feb 15 is the "due" date.

Legislation/regulation report – paint; Mike Maguire will present information regarding municipal paint costs, positive impacts of Paint Producer Takeback legislation at SEMRC, MMA.

MMA Membership for \$450? Rolling membership? What are the benefits? Director will investigate; is seeking appt to Env. Policy cmte.

New business what's up with the UBB? Will be on ballot, if legislature does not pass.

Mr. O'Connor reported that Weymouth's new curbside cart program has resulted in trash reduction of 25%, recycling increase of 32%, saving \$8-10K/week on disposal. None of problems people feared materialized, very successful. Many requests for 35 gal totes in stead of 64. Only 100 requests for extra trash carts. Ms. Delaney reported that Braintree had a similar result. 60% increase in recycling.

Next meetings: (rotate TWR? No, chairman Kevin can't make T or W) Feb 20, Whitman; April 3 or 10, Hingham? Decide in Feb.

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS - SSRC Environmental Hero Awards

The SSRC is seeking nominations for individuals whose actions in their capacities as elected or appointed officials have promoted or resulted in the disposal of less waste and/or improved recovery of waste materials.

Categories: Volunteer; municipal official; state official

If you wish to nominate someone, please include:

Nominee Name: _____

Position: _____

Municipality/agency: _____

1-2 paragraphs describing the nominee's actions for which they should be recognized by this award.

Your name (if different): _____

How you know the nominee : _____

Your phone number and email _____

Nominations are due by Feb. 19. Presentations will be made at our "Where is our Waste Going?" Tour and Luncheon on Friday, March 14.