



SSRC MSW Manager/Board Minutes
Thursday, January 21, 2016, Abington Town Hall
Accepted 2/25/2016

Attendance: **Abington:** Sharon White*, Lorraine Mavrogeorge; **Cohasset:** Merle Brown*, Mary Snow*; **Hanson:** Donna Tramontana*; **Hingham:** Randy Sylvester*, Brenda Black; **Kingston:** Paul Basler*, Gene Wyatt*; **Norwell:** Brian Flynn*; **Rockland:** Janice McCarthy*; **Scituate:** Sean McCarthy*; **Weymouth:** Bob O'Connor*

Guests: **MassDEP:** Janine Delaney, Ellie Donovan; **PCS of Mass.:** Lisa DePaolo Baciewicz; **SSRC:** Claire Galkowski

*appointed Board representatives

Continental breakfast **sponsored by PC Survivors of Mass.**

Vice Chairman Merle Brown called to order at 9:05.

Lisa DiPaolo Baciewicz is owner and CEO of [PC Survivors of Mass. LLC](#), a ten year old electronic waste recycler with a 22K square foot warehouse in Hanover. PCS is R2 Certified for Responsible Recycling of Electronics. A high standard for electronics recycling, R2 was developed by the EPA in 2008. Certification process is rigorous, involves annual on-site re-evaluation by a third party auditor. PCS services all of New England.

PCS does front end de-manufacturing. Repurposes tested/working electronic equipment when customers allow; 30 day return policy for sold equipment. PCS sorts and recycles all components that can't be reused to highest use, including paper and toner from copiers/printers. Mechanically shreds all data-containing components received using DOD protocols. PCS is a National Association for Information Destruction (NAID) member.

Lisa is on site at most times, annually verifies that all downstream vendors maintain certifications.

Pricing to SSRC: CRT Monitors and CRT Televisions at 25c/lb.; LCD and plasma screens 10c/lb. All other items are weighed separately on the dock and recycled at no charge. They are on Mass. State Contract FAC82. No transport or labor charge for SSRC towns.

PCS accepts alkaline batteries (post meeting note: after checking with their DSV, for a quantity increase anticipated with addition municipal clients, the DSV has increase the cost to PCS to \$0.50 lb. Lisa apologizes for any confusion). Prefers 5 gal containers.

Downstream markets are challenging, but PCS ships all monitors out to a downstream R2 certified CRT recycler.

Data destruction, circuit boards, toner, and cell phones revenues support CRT recycling.

They pick up using 26' Box Trucks with electric lift gates, professionally lettered, DOT Registered. Don't currently have a contract for trailers, but could arrange if needed.

Does one day ewaste collections, 2 staff people, provides detailed certificate of recycling by type. Charge \$12 for CRT monitor, \$30-100 for TVs depending on size as will be unable to weigh.

PCS doesn't handle Freon containing appliances. Recycle steel at Spiegel.

Board asked Director to arrange a tour in spring.

Approve **December [minutes](#)**: Ms. White moved to accept the December minutes as written, Mr. Sylvester seconded, AIF

Approve 2015 **[Annual Report](#)**: Mr. Basler moved that the Annual Report be approved as presented, Ms. White seconded, AIF

CEF Reinstatement [H705](#) : Bill would re-establish the Clean Environment Fund. Would be funded by 20-30% of unclaimed container deposits, with up to 60% of funds to be appropriated for recycling and related purposes. Would be in a separate fund from DEP Sustainable Material Recovery expendable trust. Not sure whether a separate DEP grant program would be established, but could provide an estimated \$100K/year in additional grant funding to SSRC towns. Ms. McCarthy moved that we send a letter of support for H705, Ms. White seconded, AIF

Fixed / floating **meeting locations**: Discussed whether to continue moving our monthly meeting locations among all Member Towns, or select one or two regular locations to avoid confusion. Mr. Basler moved that we alternate meetings between Abington Town Hall and Duxbury Senior Center, Ms. Snow seconded, AIF.

Annual event committee has discussed some details. Event will take place April 7 at Jones River trading co. in Kingston. Frugal Comedian Paul Gilligan will emcee and perform, sponsored by SEMASS. No awards will be given out this year. Will have a speaker or a panel. Director will solicit sponsorships to cover the cost again. Concerns have been expressed about the negative connotation of the title "trash bash". Board was polled on opinion, sent to Event Committee to decide at their meeting, to immediately follow the Board meeting.

Executive Director's Report

Review [SSRC Updates](#), sent this week by email, hard copies provided.

Distributed draft spring 2016 [HHW flyer](#) for review: Add antifreeze to back, "accepted at some events"

2015 DEP grant and data surveys are due Feb. 15, Director is available to assist in filling out and submitting, seeking some additional information.

Website issues- Web designer is unable to complete the project in time for SSRC Event unveiling on 4/7, referred to another designer. Director will do RFQ.

New business – SEMASS will be putting in mercury shed in next few weeks inn Cohasset, Kingston.

How do towns regulate Farmers Market trash and recycling? Suggestion to provide no containers, require vendors to carry in/carry out. Farmers use SSRC recycling carts on Marshfield Fairgrounds.

Is a food waste ban imminent? Not for residential.

Mattress grant, fees: If a town charges >\$5/mattress, must maintain program at least one year after end of grant.

Ms. Delaney thanked all who attended the December recognition ceremony, presented awards to Merle Brown (Cohasset), Brenda Black (Hingham), and Sean McCarthy (Scituate). The Director already sent out press releases.

Next meetings: Feb. 25, Duxbury; March 24, Abington

Adjourn 10:30