



SSRC MSW Manager/Board Minutes

Wednesday, January 18, 2017, Abington Town Hall

Accepted Feb. 15, 2017

Attendance: **Abington:** Lorraine Mavrogeorge*, Sharon White*; **Cohasset:** Merle Brown*;
Hanover: Victor Diniak*; **Hanson:** Arlene Dias; **Hingham:** Brenda Black, Randy Sylvester*;
Kingston: Paul Basler*, Gene Wyatt*; **Middleboro:** Donna Jolin*; **Scituate:** Sean McCarthy*;
Weymouth: Fred Happel*; Director Claire Galkowski.

(*Appointed Board Representatives)

Guests: **Complete Recycling Solutions:** Jeff Cabral; **MassDEP:** Ellie Donovan, Todd Koep
CRS provided breakfast.

Chairman White called to order at 9:05, introductions

Jeff Cabral does customer service and sales for [Complete Recycling Solutions](#). CRS recycles electronic waste, fluorescent lamps and other mercury containing products, batteries, ballasts. Lamps are processed in house. Lamp program is subsidized by SEMASS for contract towns.

E-Waste and batteries may be sorted at town site or facility. Some demanufacturing is done at facility by 3-4 guys. The CRT market is a mess right now, prices are up.

CRS processes 15M feet of fluorescent lamps/year, and 5M lbs of EWaste/year. Sorting equipment by each town is difficult, so most just put all together. Some put in gaylords or pallets. CRS charges \$75/hour to pack in gaylords if the town can't do it.

Rates are 25c/lb CRTs or unsorted material, 18c/lb flat screen, 10c/lb for other electronics (if sorted from CRTs). Most eWaste material is still CRTs, screens. There is some flexibility based on volume, pre sorting.

CRS is R2 certified, had audit last year, on State Contract. Downstream processors are also R2, some e-Stewards. Try to keep downstream processing as local as possible. Metal goes to Mid City.

Can do on call (1 week lead), or scheduled pickups. They can do 4 hour events, charge per item. Townwide event: \$400 setup, or no charge if >\$2500. Encourage towns to handle money collected.

Group tour? Sure. Door always open for tours.

Will offer volume discount, i.e. if >100K lb/town. Multitown aggregation? He will talk to Keith. Could reduce as low as 21c/lb. Customer service is great, responsive to problems. Ms White noted that Abington is pleased with mercury collection service, good drivers.

What is towns' biggest headache with e-waste? Price, especially increases after budget for following Fiscal Year is submitted in October. Billing has been a problem in the past with other vendors.

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

Recycling Education and Compliance Officer update : Director reviewed 75 applications, most from Indeed. Narrowed field to 8, Hiring Committee ranked, setting up interviews this month.

Bylaws review update : Ms. Mavrogeorge, Ms. White, Mr Wyatt, started reviewing, about ¾ way through, first draft available. Will consult with Claire on some questions.

paper index pricing, cost: RISI rate increased subscription rate from \$250 to \$450. Is it worth it? RS yes, VD no, Call vendors and ask for pricing. Mr. Basler moved that we don't renew it this year, Mr. Brown seconded, AIF. Director Galkowski will call CPR monthly for pricing.

Maximizing 2017 RDP grants (MAC Todd Koep): Director provided an evaluation of each towns' Recycling Dividend Program grant potential. Rates increased this year. Make sure you all apply. RDP worksheet is on the SMRP grant website (see SSRC Updates for links). Qualifying programs must be in place by June 14, which is the due date for SMRP grant applications.

Textile bonus point is easy.

Hauler regulation: Kingston just adopted, earning another point. RDP worksheet is online.

Compost bin distribution point: Easy money that you can use at your discretion. Use for compost containers, to help get the point. Can only charge up to \$25 to get the point. Is there a requirement to restock? Todd will check.

To qualify for grants, submit DEP Recycling survey via ReTrac by Feb 15.

Grant Webinars will be held in April, Todd distributed calendar.

There is a WREC training course in Springfield on Jan. 26. Too soon for RECO.

Technical Assistance grants are also available, apply by Jan. 31. New option is help deploying Recycling IQ Kit -provides signs, tags, great graphics. Proven successful at reducing contamination. Abington will apply.

Executive Director's Report

Review SSRC Updates

Spring HHW schedule is posted on website. 6 Collections.

EWaste options: reviewed pricing, plan to visit RMG, CRS. A few expressed interest in joining for tours. Director will follow up.

FY17 Priorities tabulation – still seeking input. Please fill out [form](#) if you haven't weighed in.

New business: Mr. Brown noted that the mass. Municipal Association conference is this weekend, go to trade show free. Meetings are for members only.

Next meetings: Feb. 16, (PCHA conflict); Move to Wed 2/15, Duxbury Senior Center; Mar. 23, Abington Town Hall

10:20 Adjourn