



**SOUTH SHORE
RECYCLING
COOPERATIVE**

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Meeting of the South Shore Recycling Cooperative November 29, 2023 at Rockland Town Hall and via Zoom. Kevin Cafferty called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM. Accepted 1/17/24

Attendees:

Abington	Eddie Murphy*	
	Chris Schultz*	
Braintree	Rosemary Nolan*	
	Jeff Kunz*	
Cohasset	Ashley Kenney*	
Duxbury	Norm Smith*	
East Bridgewater	Lynn Lundberg*	
Hanover	No attendee	
Hanson	Arlene Dias*	
Hingham	Randy Sylvester*	
Hull	No attendee	
Kingston	Paul Basler*	Vice-chairman
	Jean Landis Naumann*	Secretary
Middleboro	No attendee	
Norwell	Ben Margro*	
	Vicky Spillane*	
Pembroke	No attendees	
Plymouth	Lee Cleveland	
	Kerin McCall*	
Rockland	Delshaune Flipp*	
Scituate	Kevin Cafferty*	Chairman
Weymouth	Katie McDonald*	
Whitman	No attendee	
Mass DEP	Todd Koep	
SSRC	Claire Galkowski	
Bonsai Logic	Danya Mahota	
Residents	Peter Neville, Plymouth	
	Vanessa Verkade, Kingston	
	Denny Strozewski, Weymouth	

(*Appointed Board Representatives)

Kevin led introductions. Danya Mahota described his company, BonsaiLogic, and the software and equipment they sell to manage fee collection, sticker sales, license plate recognition and transfer station security. Credit cards can be used for online sales and at on-site kiosks.

11% of transfer station users are unregistered. The license plate recognition system catches them and can issue violation notices. Rockland's caught one before the system even went live.

Contact Danya at 781-831-2097.

Voted: to approve the minutes of the October 18 2, 2023 meeting (unanimous)

Claire presented a revised budget that includes a 2% pay increase for the executive director. Last year's surplus will be used to cover the additional costs, still leaving a surplus in excess of \$4,000.

Voted: to approve the revised budget for FY24.

Claire reported she is working on an RFP for hauling, pre-sorted recycling processing, and C&D. She asked for volunteers to review this before it is released later in December. She hopes to be able to have the board vote to award the contract(s) at the January 2024 meeting.

Kevin led a discussion of the most challenging solid waste issues:

Kevin- complaints about lack of trash barrels at the beach and around town

Paul – people using compactor surface as a defacto swap shop

Randy – many complaints about the Swap Shop (volunteers, limited space, time limits)

Paul – residents dropping bags of dog waste in catch basins

Rosemary – growing problem with curbside collection compliance

Kevin – Transfer stations have better compliance. Pay-as-you-throw helps reduce disposal tonnages.

Ben – Norwell is reconsidering its free curbside service, due to rising costs and budget constraints.

Executive Director's Report:

Claire recommended that all review the most recent SSRC Newsletter.

Claire reported on the status of the HHW depot – have met twice with Hanover officials, grant contract has not been signed, working with subcommittee to set schedule.

Four HHW events are scheduled with a new supervisor. The most recent event collected lots of paint.

She reminded everyone to take a HHW sign.

New Business - none

The next meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2024 at 9 am, at the Norwell Town Hall, 345 Main Street, and on Zoom.

Adjourned at 10:24 am.

Submitted by Jean Landis Naumann, Secretary