



**SOUTH SHORE  
RECYCLING  
COOPERATIVE**

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**Meeting of the South Shore Recycling Cooperative April 23, 2025 via Zoom. Delshaune Flipp called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM. at the East Bridgewater Town Hall**

**Attendees:**

<b>Abington</b>	Eddie Murphy*	<b>Vice-chairman</b>
<b>Braintree</b>	Jeff Kunz*	
<b>Cohasset</b>	Ashley Kenney*	
<b>Duxbury</b>	<b>No attendee</b>	
<b>East Bridgewater</b>	Lynn Lundberg*	
	Shelley	
<b>Hanover</b>	Kurt Kelley*	
	Victor Diniak*	
<b>Hanson</b>	Arlene Dias*	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Hingham</b>	Ashley Sanford*	
<b>Hull</b>	Rachel Gerold	
<b>Kingston</b>	Jean Landis Naumann*	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Marshfield</b>	<b>No attendee</b>	
<b>Norwell</b>	Vicky Spillane*	
<b>Pembroke</b>	<b>No attendee</b>	
<b>Plymouth</b>	Jessica Scalia	
	Ken Stone	
<b>Rockland</b>	Delshaune Flipp*	<b>Chairman</b>
<b>Scituate</b>	<b>No attendee</b>	
<b>Weymouth</b>	<b>No attendee</b>	
<b>Whitman</b>	<b>No attendee</b>	
<b>Mass DEP</b>	Todd Koep	
<b>SSRC</b>	Claire Galkowski	

(\*Appointed Board Representatives)

Delshaune led introductions.

**Voted: to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2025 meeting (unanimous)**

Claire spoke about the results of the IFB for preferred organic waste vendors. Black Earth Compost was the only company to submit a responsive and responsible bid. Claire provided documents submitted by Black Earth.

**Voted: to award the preferred vendor contract for food waste to Black Earth (unanimous)**

Claire will contact them on how to publicize this.

Lynn asked about the Black Earth drop-off program. Jean explained how it worked in Kingston, starting a 6-month pilot program where participants were provided with a screw-on lid container to collect material at home. A 3-year contract was awarded after the pilot.

FY 26 budget – tabled to June 4 meeting.

Delshaune and Claire discussed the upcoming e-board elections in June and asked for volunteers for a nominating committee as well as volunteers to serve. Jean stated she will not continue as secretary. Delshaune stated she will not continue as chairman. Chris Schultz and Ashley Sanford were named to the nominating committee.

Todd spoke about grant preparation. There will be big changes for next year. He can respond to questions in April but questions to DEP must be submitted in writing (form online) and will be answered in May. He reminded everyone that all grants are competitive and never guaranteed. Revenue from grants should not be included in any department budget. Claire has posted a list of the changes. She reminded member towns to check their websites to be sure all required links are there. Todd's district lost \$100,000 last year as towns did not provide needed information to DEP. Be sure to reply to any requests for additional information.

Claire reported there were no bids for engineering for the HHW Depot. They will rebid after contacting appropriate engineering companies.

**Executive Director's Report:**

Claire recommended that all review the most recent SSRC Newsletter.

Claire reported she is working with Hull on a Zero Waste Day and will promote compost bins and kitchen scrap bins by pre-order.

## **New Business**

Rachel reported their town is down to one private trash hauler and residents are concerned. Claire suggested a preferred vendor request. They could apply for a technical assistance grant to do this. Claire, Todd and Rachel agreed to meet next week to discuss this.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 4, 2025 at 9 am, at Kingston Town Hall and on Zoom.

Adjourned at 10:08 AM.

Submitted by Jean Landis Naumann, Secretary