

SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE DRAFT MINUTES MARCH 21, 2018

The Town of Orange Recycling Committee met at the High Plains Community Center on March 21, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM. Chair, Mitch Goldblatt presided.

In Attendance: Mitch Goldblatt, Stephanie Jatlow, Chris Prokop, Loretta Smith, Mark Moyher and Mary-Jo Sierakowski.

Public Input: None

Minutes Approval: Mary-Jo Sierakowski made a motion and Stephanie Jatlow seconded to approve the minutes of February 21, 2018. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Financial Update: Tom George has provided the latest financial report. We finally received the grant money from DEEP for the bins we bought last spring and now show a positive balance.

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE ACCOUNT

3/20/2018		1-056-890-90-956-50
		2017
Balance Forward		\$ 1,008.25
Recycle Bagging System	\$ (184.35)	\$ 823.90
Otto-Environmental (Bins)	\$ (3,626.22)	\$ (2,802.32)
Fair Reimbursement	\$ 50.00	\$ (2,752.32)
Town of Orange	\$ 1,600.00	\$ (1,152.32)
Barker Specialties (T-Shirts)	\$ (289.80)	\$ (1,442.12)
Plastic Bags	\$ (200.00)	\$ (1,642.12)
Donuts Country Fair	\$ (101.75)	\$ (1,743.87)
		2018
Vent Plastic Bags	\$ (65.44)	\$ (1,809.31)
ST CT DEEP Reimbursement	\$ 3,626.22	\$ 1,816.91

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Residential Recycling Rates:

MONTH	2017	2018	DELTA
January	84.88	92.71	9.2%
February	70.68	78.26	10.7%
YTD Total	155.56	170.97	9.9%

Old Business:

Town Website: We are not completely happy with the content and updating of material that Ilene Moyher works very hard on. Ilene will look into creating the recycling committee’s own page that users can connect to by clicking on a URL on the town’s website and view more detail and information we would like to have available for residents.

Discussion of layout and signage at the Transfer Station: We concluded that the proposed icon designs were not what we were looking for so a motion was made by Stephanie Jatlow to not go forward with Jack Tom. It was seconded by Loretta Smith. The motion was approved unanimously. Ilene Moyher will inform Jack of this decision and find out what payment we will need to make for his work.

Parks and Recreation Meeting: Chris Prokop and Mark Moyher spoke at the March 28 meeting in the public agenda portion to introduce themselves and present the goal of the recycling committee to try and have recycle bins put out at all events in tandem with the trash bins. They accepted and echoed their approval of our agenda and expressed interest in having the ball fields covered as well. Mark will send an email to encourage Chris Small to use as many bins as he deems necessary at the ball fields and other recreational areas. We have 30 bins in stock so they can spread out at least 10 bins and bring them back when a big event at the Fairgrounds may have a need for more than the 20 bins that will remain there.

New Business:

Plastic Bag and Wrap Recycling: Weekly trips to the transfer station have shown that this new station is being well used and that the area is kept up and clean.

Shredding Day and Mattress Collection: This event is being held on Saturday April 28, 2018 at the High Plains Community Center from 9:00am until noon. An article has been prepared and will run in the Orange News April 12 edition. Tom George, Chris Prokop and Loretta Smith will be picking up signs from Mitch Goldblatt and put them up around town on Sunday April 22 to advertise and remind residents of the event. The group organizing the mattress collection will be promoting it, but will not mention the shredding part as we are trying to limit that part to Orange residents as much as possible. The Orange Community Women have not yet responded on a collaboration invitation with the recycling committee for this event, but Mitch will wait a little longer to see if they reach out.

Shredding Day in October with Rotary Club: We have added October 13, 2018 as a second shredding day, but we are not going to publicize it at this time.

Business Expo: The Orange Business Expo is taking place on June 6, 2018 from 11am – 4pm and the recycling committee is participating again this year. Mitch, Chris and Tom have volunteered to cover our table that day. Chip Clips will be give-away item at events this year. They are white with orange lettering and have the logo and town's recycling website address on them. We may make up a sign and have a computer running pictures of local business's recycling areas to encourage others to partner with us in advertising their programs that are available to the general public to participate in.

HazWaste Days: We are providing volunteers to work at the June 16, 2018 and October 6, 2018 collection dates. Mark, Ilene, Loretta and Mary-Jo will work the June 16 event and Mitch, Chris and Tom will work the at the October 6 event. It will take place at the Regional Water Authority located at 90 Sargent Drive in New Haven.

Best Buy and other Corporate Partners: Best Buy recently saw our Recycling & Transfer Station page on the town website and reached out to Mitch to explain what they are doing and ask if we would like to post this additional recycling resource to the website. We want to promote them and other establishments like Target, Kohl's and Stop & Shop on our web page to inform the residents of all the wonderful things going on in Orange to promote all recycling options for a cleaner town.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Wednesday, April 18, 2018

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM after a motion by Mark Moyher, seconded by Loretta Smith and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Moyher
Secretary