

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE  
DRAFT MINUTES  
May 9, 2019

The Town of Orange Recycling Committee met at the High Plains Community Center on May 9, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:12 PM. Chair, Mitch Goldblatt presided.

**In Attendance:** Mitch Goldblatt, Chris Prokop, Stephanie Jatlow, Mary Jo Sierakowski, Loretta Smith and Ilene Moyer

**Public Input:** None

**Minutes Approval:** Mary Jo Sierakowski made a motion and Loretta seconded to approve the minutes of April 2019. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**Financial Update:**

We are still awaiting the \$475.00 reimbursement from the Orange Rotary Club for Shredding Day.

**ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE ACCOUNT**

05/6/2019

1-056-890-90-956-50

**2018**

**Balance Forward** (\$4,683.70)

**2019**

ST CT DEEP Reimbursement	\$6,373.78	\$1,690.08
Vent Plastic Bags	(\$187.93)	\$1,502.15
Affordable Solutions	(\$475.00)	\$1,027.15
Fast Signs (New Banner)	(\$221.00)	\$806.15
Barker Specialty (Bin Stickers)	(\$945.00)	(\$138.85)

**Residential Recycling Rates:**

MONTH	2018	2019	DELTA
January	92.71	89.67	-3.3%
February	78.26	62.45	-20.2%
March	77.26	68.34	-11.5%
April	77.20	81.21	5.2%
May	97.21		
June	85.46		
July	77.82		
August	88.71		

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September	68.54		
October	90.08		
November	91.76		
December	81.85		
YTD Total	170.97	152.12	-7.3%

**Old Business:**

**Plastic Bag Issue and Sticker for residential Bins:** People love the stickers! Receiving good feedback about the new stickers from town residents and Sylvie Napoli is affixing them to new bins that are sold or given out.

**New Recycling Banner:** Great Job Ilene! Banner looked great hanging at Shredding Day. Looking forward to using it at upcoming events.

**Simple Recycling/Waste Zero Textile Curbside Recycling:** Lot of back and forth between the company and Sylvie. Ilene agreed to give feedback regarding editing upcoming mailing to town residents. Mailing to come out in the next few weeks educating residents on new curbside service. We will also publicize once service begins. Target date for roll out is week of July 15, 2019. Committee recommended more clarification of how to use pink bags before the service rolls out in July. Contract signed.

**Orange Life Magazine Article:** Deadline just passed. Next opportunity is in the fall to submit article. Need to write article regarding Orange Recycling Committee work and textile recycling in the next issue.

**Plantings for Transfer Station Signs-Garden Club:** To date Mitch has been back and forth with the Garden Club. Garden Club not prepared to plant and manage the planting of both signs outside the transfer station but offered to help design the sites. Mitch to reach out to First Selectman Jim Zeoli by email for feedback on proposal that Garden Club will help design plantings around both signs and see if Town can assist with maintenance of plantings in front of both signs.

**Shredding Day- Saturday April 27, 2019:** 12,000 pounds paper shredded, 31 mattresses collected, Rotary raised \$1,200.00 in donations. All around another successful event. Folks already looking forward to the Fall Shred Day. Mitch to send out email to start planning fall date.

**Orange Live:** Very supportive of Orange Recycling Committee and continue to publicize our work.

**Other Old Business:** None.

**New Business:**

**Orange business and Community Expo- Wednesday, June 5, 2019:** Chris, Mitch and Stephanie working the ORC table. Chris there all day. Time 11-4. New Location: Beckerman Center, University of New Haven, 300 Boston Post Road, West Haven.

**Recycling Forum- What's In, What's Out, June 10 or June17.** Sherill Baldwin Sustainable manager at DEEP is thrilled to come speak to our residents. Two possible dates. June 10 would be at library. June 17 event would be held at Community Center. Committee prefers library so event will be scheduled for June 10, 2019 at Case Memorial Library at 7:00PM. Presentation title "Orange Recycle Bin- What's in What's out" Ilene offered to create flyer to publicize DEEP event. We will also promote through media and aim to present information at Annual Town Meeting and Expo.

**Haz Waste Days- Regional Water Authority:**

Saturday June 29, 2019; Mitch, Stephanie, Loretta and Mark to serve.

Saturday October 5, 2019: Mary-Jo, Chris and Mark to serve.

**Shredding Day- Saturday, October 12 or 19, 2019:** Back by popular demand. Mitch will check with all interested parties about best date. October 12 is three-day weekend some may be traveling. October 19 we will not have mattress pick up due to Lions club event that evening. Mitch will explore with Ken Lenz if alternative source available to pick up mattresses. Orange Community Women prefer October 19, 2019.

Motion made by Stephanie for October 19, 2019 next shredding day. Seconded by Loretta. Motion passed unanimously. Mitch will start the publicity.

**Next Scheduled Meeting:** Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Meeting Adjourned 8:05pm after motion made by Ilene, seconded by Loretta and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Prokop  
Acting Secretary