

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES
September 18, 2019

The Town of Orange Recycling Committee met at the High Plains Community Center on September 18, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM. Chair, Mitch Goldblatt presided.

In Attendance: Mitch Goldblatt, Loretta Smith, Wendy Novick, Karen Della-Giustina, Amy O’Connell and Christopher Prokop

Public Input: None

Minutes Approval: Chris Prokop made a motion and Karen Della-Giustina seconded to approve the minutes of July 17, 2019. The minutes were approved. Loretta Smith abstained.

Financial Update: There were no transactions during the past month.

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE ACCOUNT

	07/16/2019	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 Designs (New Banner)	(\$221.00)	\$806.15
Barker Specialty (Bin Stickers)	(\$945.00)	(\$138.85)
Reimbursement – Rotary	\$475.00	\$336.15

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	88.51	-8.9%
June	85.46	76.73	-10.2%
July	77.82	82.54	6.1 %
August	88.71	76.48	-13.8

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 2019 SEP 23 AM 8:40
 Mitchell B. O'Sullivan
 TOWN CLERK

September	68.54		
October	90.08		
November	91.76		
December	81.85		
YTD Total	674.63	625.93	-7.2%

Old Business:

Annual Report 2019: Mitch and Ilene completed our 2019 Annual report and it has been submitted..

Article for Orange Life Magazine: Ilene did a fantastic Job with our article for Orange Life Magazine. Together with Mitch the article was submitted and already receiving positive feedback from Orange Life Magazine editors. Article will be in next publication scheduled to be sent out to residents and businesses around Thanksgiving time.

Glass Recycling-Milford: Mitch has followed up and no one appears to know much about Glass recycling at this time. Decided to put on hold at this time.

Simple Recycling/Waste Zero Textile Curbside Recycling- Extra Bags Available. Over-all the program is a success in town with more positive feedback than negative at this time. Mitch contacted Simple Recycle for more bags for the upcoming Country Fair, for Town Hall, new residents and for shredding day and we received a box of about 200 bags to distribute to residents.

New Business:

Orange Country Fair- Sat-Sun, September 21-22, 2019: Mitch spoke to Nadine O'Brien regarding doughnut partnership. It was decided that small paper redeemable slips will be given only to children who answer a recycle question at our table. Amy will create a paper "ticket" and will coordinate with Chris to have them available starting Saturday at the Fair. Tickets will state "redeemable for 18 years of age or younger". Country Fair sign up on Google Doc which was sent to all Recycle Committee members. Currently all time slots filled.

Haz Waste Day- Regional Water Authority- Saturday October 5, 2019: Chris, Pat and Mark scheduled to assist October 5th.

Shredding Day with the Rotary Club- Saturday October 19, 2019: Mitch has worked out with Ken Lenz the Mattress pick up, thanks to Lions Club members, for town residents in need of pick up services. Mitch will request check for Joe Johnson from Affordable Solutions. Orange Country Women Club decided to postpone Clothing drive for this upcoming Oct 19 shredding day.

Approve Meeting Dates for 2020: After review and discussion of 2020 meeting date's Chris Prokop made a motion to accept the 2020 scheduled meeting dates. Loretta Smith second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Other New Business: Amy O'Connell agreed to submit our Recycling Tips to the Orange-Milford Newspaper like Mary-Jo has done for us in the past. If you have any recycling tip ideas for the newspaper please give to Amy. All tips can be given in advance to the newspaper if that helps with planning on our end.

Karen shared with the committee some creative recycle wrap material that a colleague at work developed. Wendy also shared some toilet paper products one made from bamboo and cane sugar.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Wednesday, October 16, 2019

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM after a motion by Amy O'Connell, seconded by Karen Della-Giustina and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Prokop
Acting Secretary