

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE  
DRAFT MINUTES  
October 16, 2019

The Town of Orange Recycling Committee met at the High Plains Community Center on October 16, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. Chair, Mitch Goldblatt presided.

**In Attendance:** Mitch Goldblatt, Patrick Legault, Ilene Moyher, Mark Moyher, Chris Prokop, Amy O’Connell, Loretta Smith, Karen Della-Giustina and Wendy Novick

**Public Input:** None

**Minutes Approval:** Loretta Smith made a motion and Chris Prokop seconded to approve the minutes of September 18, 2019. The minutes were approved unanimously after a revision was made to change the person submitting our Recycling Tips to the Orange-Milford Newspaper from Amy O’Connell to Loretta Smith.


**Financial Update:** We were credited \$1,700 to our budget for the 2019-2020 year and paid several bills during the past month.

**ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE ACCOUNT**

	10/16/2019	1-056-890-90-956-50
	<b>2018</b>	
<b>Balance Forward</b>		<b>(\$4,683.70)</b>
	<b>2019</b>	
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
Town of Orange	\$1,700.00	\$2,036.15
Vent Plastic Bags	(\$180.81)	\$1,855.45
County Fair Donuts	(\$134.40)	\$1,720.94
Affordable Solutions	(\$475.00)	\$1,245.94

**Residential Recycling Rates:**

MONTH	2018	2019	DELTA
January	92.71	89.67	-3.3%

  
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 RECEIVED FOR RECORDS

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%
September	68.54	71.65	4.5%
October	90.08		
November	91.76		
December	81.85		
YTD Total	743.17	697.58	-6.1%

### Old Business:

**Orange Country Fair:** This year's fair was another big success as we carried on the donut tradition with the children and gave out nearly 400 of them, as the participation level was the highest I can remember. In order to receive the donut each child participated in answering a question or two about recycling items and habits in their households by spinning a wheel and landing on a particular recycling category. We also displayed the pink bags from Simple Recycling and passed them out to residents who did not currently have any so they could continue or start to fill them up for collection. Many thanks to all our committee members who volunteered their time to help our community by pitching in at the recycling booth during this weekend.

**HazWaste Days:** Chris Prokop, Patrick Legault and Mark Moyher assisted at the event, which recently took place on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at the Regional Water Authority in New Haven. It was a great day, customers were smiling and the traffic was quite steady from start to end.

**Recycling Tips:** Loretta Smith will be in charge of submitting our Recycling Tips to the Orange-Milford Newspaper like Mary-Jo Sierakowski had done in the past. Please pass any tip ideas you may think of to Loretta who can forward them to the paper in advance to help with the planning on our end.

### New Business:

**Shredding Day with the Rotary Club:** We are holding our second shredding day on Saturday October 19, 2019. There will be a mattress collection available as in the past. The Orange Community Women have decided not to participate this time, but may rejoin us again, at the next event, which will likely be in the spring of 2020. It is taking place at the High Plains Community Center from 9:00am to noon. A few people volunteered to put up Shredding Day signs around town this past Sunday to inform the public of the date, time and place.

**Potential Combined Efforts with Milford:** Mitch was recently in contact with a member of the Milford Recycling Committee who wanted to see if there was any potential to combine the efforts of both towns. He has been reading about us in the newspaper and was impressed with our tips and programs. We will review this and see if any opportunity arises that might benefit everybody from planning something together.

**WRAP Program:** This program has a website designed to help you find retail stores, municipal and private recycling centers where you can properly dispose of plastic bags and film packaging. The URL for the location of the WRAP program is as follows: [www.PlasticFilmRecycling.org](http://www.PlasticFilmRecycling.org) The program will be migrating to a database housed at this website starting November 1, 2019. After that point in time, you will not be able to access, edit or change any of your information on Re-TRAC Connect. If you would like your existing data exported over or have any questions please email Tonya Randall directly at [tonya@morerecycling.com](mailto:tonya@morerecycling.com)

**Next Scheduled Meeting:** Wednesday, November 20, 2019

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM after a motion by Loretta Smith, seconded by Amy O'Donnell and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Moyher  
Secretary

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