

ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE  
DRAFT MINUTES  
November 20, 2019

The Town of Orange Recycling Committee met at the High Plains Community Center on November 20, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM. Chair, Mitch Goldblatt presided.

**In Attendance:** Mitch Goldblatt, Patrick Legault, Ilene Moyher, Mark Moyher, Loretta Smith, Karen Della-Giustina and Wendy Novick


**Public Input:** None

**Minutes Approval:** Wendy Novick made a motion and Karen Della-Giustina seconded to approve the minutes of October 16, 2019. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**Financial Update:** There were no changes from the prior month. Mitch Goldblatt recently received the reimbursement from the Rotary of \$475 for the shredding day event.

**ORANGE RECYCLING COMMITTEE ACCOUNT**

	<b>11/20/2019</b>	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

  
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**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%
September	68.54	71.65	4.5%
October	90.08	82.81	-8.1%
November	91.76		
December	81.85		
YTD Total	833.25	780.39	-6.3%

**Old Business:**

**Shredding Day:** We had another successful shredding event as we collected nearly 10,000 pounds of paper and 19 mattresses to be recycled. In addition, we handed out pink bags to the residents as we continue to explain what the Simple Recycling program is about and how to dispose of the items properly.

**Pink Bag Pick-ups:** There are still a few issues that the bags are not being replaced after the full bag was collected or that the bag was not picked up at all. Ilene Moyher has posted on face book the pink bags and phone number to reach out to the company if residents are having any issues like this. We hope all this exposure will get more residents on board and they start participating in the program.

**New Business:**

**Green Teens Club and Junk Car Medics:** Two new website links were reviewed that can assist in helping people learn how they can dispose of appliances and car parts for recycling. Loretta Smith made a motion and Karen Della-Giustina seconded to approve adding these links to our recycling website. The motion was approved unanimously. The links are:

<https://www.basementguides.com/recycling-appliances-guide/> and

<https://www.junkcarmedics.com/blog/car-recycling/>

**Friends of the Library Winter Wonderland Exhibit:** The library is accepting holiday decorations for display and the deadline is Monday November 25, 2019. Ilene Moyher and Amy O'Connell will be spearheading the project and entering an exhibit on behalf of the Orange Recycling Committee.

**Rack N Pac Shed Replacement:** Recently, we had some bad weather with high winds that blew over the shed, which unfortunately, fell on a car and demolished the shed. The result of this was that it had to be tossed and now we will be looking to have it replaced. Mitch Goldblatt contacted Bob Brinton from Public Works to see about paying to get a new one. James Zeoli, First Selectman,

indicated that this will wait until spring 2020 and they will probably pay half the cost of the new replacement shed. Mark Moyher made a motion and Loretta Smith seconded to approve a \$500 budget for the Orange Recycling Committee to invest in a new shed as soon as possible. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Other New Business:**

**Batteries Plus Bulbs:** Recently the company started charging consumers minimal amounts to take back batteries and bulbs to pass along costs that they are incurring. This may prohibit people from returning them and instead throw them out. Ilene Moyher will post on face book that Home Depot and Lowe's are alternative places to return some of these items still for free.

**Next Scheduled Meeting:** Wednesday, December 18, 2019

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM after a motion by Ilene Moyher, seconded by Loretta Smith and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Moyher  
Secretary