

TOWN OF GOSHEN
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR RECYCLING AND TRASH - RATS
08/11/2021 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 PM - WEDNESDAY
This meeting was held in person at the Town Hall Conference Room and via Zoom Conference call.
Conference Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81300463521>

MEETING ID 813 0046 3521 Option 2: Dial-in number: 1-929-205-6099

CALL TO ORDER: Paul Collins, Recycling Coordinator, called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM. Please note that there were technical problems with the recording.

ATTENDANCE: Cynthia Barrett, Paul Collins-Recycling Coordinator, Lucy Hussman, and Patrick Reilly.
Excused: Garret Harlow and Rod Zander, and Bob Valentine-First Selectman.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: IN A MOTION made by Patrick Reilly, seconded by Lucy Hussman, it was VOTED to approve the minutes of 07/14/2021. Voted unanimous.

RECYCLING COORDINATOR UPDATE: Paul reported that he had phone calls with questions regarding recycling of large amounts of cardboard that might not fit in the bin all at one time and the first Friday of the month Metal and Tire pickup collection as well. Discussion was had regarding these. It was suggested for the resident to reach out to a neighbor and cut the boxes down to a size to fit as much cardboard into the bins.

Correspondence was received from Connecticut Recyclers Coalition "CRC" and Paul will consult with the First Selectman about becoming a member for \$150 as the Recycling Coordinator. Paul noted that he attended the 2021 CT Recycling Conference on Zoom. People can join for \$25. Members felt it would be beneficial.

OLD BUSINESS: The following was presented and discussed by the committee:

1. Cindy Barrett reported about the use of the compost bin in her yard over the past month. She reported that they had installed a Ring Camera to track any visiting "wildlife". No bears were seen which was a concern by residents that had been shared. A skunk and a squirrel were seen with no incident. The bin seems to be the right size for a household, spins easily, and is working well. A good mix of greens and browns is needed and shredding the materials as much as possible is key to the breaking down process.

2. Cindy Barrett reported that she posted on social media of "Nextdoor" the following information:

Plastic films - Reminded residents that plastic bags do not go in the Recycling bin.

Electronics, Paper Shredding and Mattress Event - October 2, 2021, Saturday at Goshen Town Hall parking lot from 9 to noon. **Fabric Recycling bins** are available in Goshen. **Metal and Tire Pick-up** - Next one is the first Friday in September on the 3rd. A call had been received about dishwashers and they are accepted and more information about what is accepted is on the Town website and items must be out on the curb by 6 AM.

3. In regards to promoting the composting bin, Paul will continue working a plan to let residents know about it. Pat Reilly had suggested at the last meeting that the Goshen Library has the book tent at the Goshen Fair and that perhaps they could promote it there. The bin at Camp Coch had been used by the campers. The possibility of using "My Rec" which is used by the Recreation Director for ordering and payments was discussed and now that Camp is over, this will be looked into. After discussion, it was felt that perhaps it was best not to promote it at the Fair this year.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business. Next meeting will be September 8, 2021, Wednesday, at 6:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

IN A MOTION made by Patrick Reilly, seconded by Lucy Hussman, it was VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 6:52PM. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Barrett
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Attest *Barbara Z. Buer*
Goshen Town Clerk