

TOWN OF GOSHEN
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR RECYCLING AND TRASH - RATS
01/11/2023 - MEETING - 6:30 PM - WEDNESDAY
This meeting was held via Zoom and Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER: Paul Collins, Recycling Coordinator, called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

ATTENDANCE:

In attendance at Town Hall Conference Room: Paul Collins-Recycling Coordinator and Lucy Hussman

Via Zoom: Cindy Barrett, Garrett Harlow, and Suzanne Rinaldi - Todd Carusillo - Goshen First Selectman

Excused: Annette Lott, Pat Reilly, and Rod Zander

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Minutes of the meeting, held on December 14, 2022, were emailed to members for review. **IN A MOTION** made by Lucy Hussman, seconded by Suzanne Rinaldi, **it was VOTED** to approve the minutes with the correction of "Eric" to "Erin Reilly" under Attendance. Voted unanimous.

RECYCLING COORDINATOR UPDATE: Paul reported the following:

- A phone call was received regarding the recycling of a helium tank that was used for birthday balloons. Paul referred to recycle.ct.com and noted that the proper disposal of this tank is at the next Household Hazardous Waste Day which has not been scheduled yet but should be in late May or June in Falls Village.
- Discussion was had regarding 20 pound propane tank recycling and they should be brought back to an exchange retailer.
- One pound propane tanks should be brought to the Household Hazardous Waste Day.
- Paul reported the usual calls regarding moving boxes and these should be recycled in our Recycling bins.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business at this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **"SMART" - Save Money and Reduce Trash Program:** Paul reported that he and Suzanne Rinaldi met with Goshen First Selectman, Todd Carusillo, regarding the SMART program on December 15, 2022. After meeting with Todd, Paul explained the situation that commercial properties in Goshen have not been paying for their disposal of dumpsters but that it has been paid by the Town.
- Todd referred to Goshen Town Ordinance - Title 51 - Municipal Solid Waste and Recycling - and explained concerns regarding the hauling of commercial, /business waste and residential waste moving forward to reduce waste and promote proper recycling. Concerns were shared about business waste and proper disposal. Todd reported that he has been in contact with a representative from USA Waste and Recycling and confirmed that the Town has been paying commercial tipping fees. Todd noted that changes are being worked on regarding this ordinance in regard to the paying of tipping fees and it will be placed on the May Town Meeting call. Further discussion was had about this issue, composting being done in Litchfield in an effort to reduce waste, and possible compost program in Goshen the future.
- Discussion was had about directing bear proof bin inquiries on social media to USA Waste and Rocco Carting and Hauling.
- Paul reported that he had done research on an appropriate plastic film recycling bin that could be used for the future plastic film recycling challenge.
- The usual recycling information will be posted on Next Door by Cindy.

ADJOURNMENT:

IN A MOTION made by Suzanne Rinaldi, seconded by Lucy Hussman, **it was VOTED** to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

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