

TOWN OF GOSHEN
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR RECYCLING AND TRASH - RATS

07/10/2024 - MEETING - 7:00 PM - WEDNESDAY

This meeting was held via Zoom and in Town Hall Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER: Liza Albreada-Recycling Coordinator, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ATTENDANCE:

In attendance Town Hall Conference Room: Liza Albreada - Recycling Coordinator, Cindy Barrett, Garret Harlow, Pat Reilly, and Sue Rinaldi

Via Zoom: Annette Lott

Excused: Lucy Hussman and Rod Zander

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Minutes of the meeting, held on 06/12/2024, were emailed to members for review.

IN A MOTION made by Sue Rinaldi, seconded by Pat Reilly, **it was VOTED** to approve the minutes. Voted unanimous.

RECYCLING COORDINATOR'S REPORT: Liza Albreada - Recycling Coordinator - reported the following:

- **CORRESPONDENCE AND PHONE CALLS:**

Phone calls were received from a few residents regarding the need for a second recycling bin and some also needed information on the metal pick-up day which is the first Friday of the month.

- **REPORTS ON RECYCLING EVENTS:**

April 20 & 21, 2024, Saturday and Sunday - Earth Day and Roadside Clean-Up Weekend - Liza reported that she did contact ***Erin Reilly, Goshen Recreation Director***, for a report on how the clean-up weekend went. Erin is getting back to her with information, and Liza will report on details next month.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **UPCOMING RECYCLING EVENTS:**

October 5, 2024, Saturday - Electronics, Shred-it, and Mattress & Box Spring Event - 9 am to noon - Goshen Town Hall and Goshen Center School. Discussion was had regarding collecting recyclable plastic films at this event and Liza reported that contact was made with Stop and Shop and they will take a "bulk" drop off.

October 19, 2024, Saturday - Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day - 8:30 am to 2 pm - Torrington Water Pollution Control Facility, Bogue Road, Harwinton, CT - residents please register by calling Town Hall to receive a ticket - 860-491-2308 x228. Liza suggested that residents please hold on to the hazardous items if they are cleaning out garages, etc. over the summer.

- **GOSHEN TOWN WEBSITE UPDATE:** Liza reported that updating needs to be done and she will be meeting with former Recycling Coordinator, Paul Collins, in regards to this next week.

- **GOSHEN TOWN TOPICS ARTICLE UPDATE:** Next issue is Fall 2024. Liza will include the advertisement of the October 5 and October 19 events as mentioned above. She suggested also to include information on recyclable plastic films collection for October 5th event. Discussion was had on educating on the correct plastic films and Liza will double check with Stop and Shop regarding this matter.

- **SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT:** Cindy reported that the following were posted on Next-Door social media website:
 - ***Fabric Recycling Bins*** - 2 locations in Goshen and bins are provided by Baystate Textiles - visit <https://www.baystatetextiles.com>
 - ***Plastic Bag Recycling Link*** - Bring to grocery store collection bins. For information visit <https://www.goshenct.gov/recycling-trash/pages/recycling-plastic-bags>
 - ***Link for Recycling Information*** - For information visit <https://www.goshenct.gov/recycling-trash> was put in the comments for the posts that these posts are being done on behalf of the Recycling and Trash Committee.
 - ***Paintcare Program*** - visit <https://www.paintcare.org/>
 - ***What's in? What's out?*** - visit www.recyclect.com to learn about recycling in Connecticut.
 - ***2024 Recycling Events*** - A reminder for the upcoming events included:
 - October 5, 2024, Saturday - Electronics, Shred-it, and Mattress & Box Spring Event - 9 am to noon*
 - October 19, 2024, Saturday - Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day - 8:30 am to 2 pm*
 - ***Appliance, Scrap metal and Tire Recycling*** - First Friday of the month and residents must call 860-379-1662 to arrange pick-up. *Next one is Friday, August 2, 2024.*
 - ***Link for Recycling Day Pick-up Calendar*** - For information visit <https://www.goshenct.gov/recycling-trash/news/2023-recycling-calendar>
 - ***Bear Resistant Bins*** - Suggested to contact trash haulers if bears have been a problem.
 - ***Mattress & Box Spring Event - Oct. 5*** - reposted with highlighting mattress picture.
 - ***Reminder: "Please, please, please" No white plastic garbage bags or other plastic films in recycling bin*** - educated on not placing returnable deposit soda cans/bottles in white garbage bags in the recycling bin.
 - ***Pizza Box Recycling video*** - Posted link...<https://www.usarecycle.com/can-you-recycle-pizza-boxes> Discussion was had on pizza box recycling. Members will watch video.
- **OTHER:** Organics recycling - Contact was made with Litchfield in regards to possible participation in their food scrap recycling but Naomi Boccio will be reached again as she was out of the office. Discussion was had on organics.

NEW BUSINESS: None

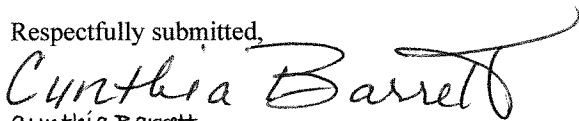
PUBLIC COMMENT: None

The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at 7 PM at Town Hall Conference Room and Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT:

IN A MOTION made by Pat Reilly, seconded by Garret Harlow, **it was VOTED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 PM. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,


Cynthia Barrett

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Attest 
Clerk, Goshen Town Clerk