

TOWN OF GOSHEN
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR RECYCLING AND TRASH - RATS
03/11/2026-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 7:06 PM.

ATTENDANCE:

In attendance at Town Hall Conference Room: Liza Albreada - Recycling Coordinator, Cindy Barrett, Lucy Hussman, and Pat Reilly

Zoom: Annette Lott, Sue Rinaldi, and Rod Zander

Excused: Garret Harlow

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Minutes of the last meeting, held on December 10, 2025, were emailed to members for review.

IN A MOTION made by Hussman, seconded by Patrick 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:** Liza reported that is has been very quiet with only one phone call requesting a paper copy of the 2026 Recycling Calendar to be mailed to a resident.
- **REPORTS ON RECYCLING EVENTS:** No reports for this meeting on past events.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **RECYCLING EVENTS - UPDATES FOR 2026 EVENTS:**

- **Electronics, Paper Shred, Mattresses/Boxsprings Event** will be held on Saturday, April 4, 2026, from 9 AM to 12 Noon, at the Goshen Town Hall parking lot for electronics, and Goshen Center School Teacher's parking lot for mattresses and paper shredding.
- **Liza reported that she was notified by Take 2 that they will not be accepting any loose batteries or loose light bulbs. Please note that this is a change due an acquisition of Take2 by EWaste+ in 2025. No lamps as well according to the website.**
 - Lucy suggested updating the Town Website, Liza has emailed Take 2 for clarification, and Cindy will post this change on Nextdoor website.
- **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY:**
- This event is scheduled for June 20, 2026, Saturday, 8:30 AM to 12 Noon, Falls Village Public Works Garage, 100 Railroad Street, Falls Village, CT. **Registration is required to participate and can be done by calling 860-491-2308 x228. Visit the Town Website for more information...** <https://www.goshenct.gov/recycling-trash> Liza will check on a QR Code for this year.
 - Lucy reported that she has been working with the new Administrative Assistant in Town Hall, and Lucy asked for clarification on the flier on the Recycling page regarding HHW Day information. Discussion was had regarding this information and a current flier will be checked on from the Northwest Hills Council of Government to post. Liza will check on these fliers and how to share with the Administrative Assistant on updating the Recycling page. Discussion was had about having as much detailed information as possible. This will be worked on to get the website updated. Lucy suggested having a telephone alert done for the Electronics event.

- **GOSHEN TOWN WEBSITE UPDATE:** Lucy suggested the possibility of making a new USA Waste Goshen Recycling calendar. Discussion was had about the calendar, and the possibility of making one like has been done in previous years. Liza is going to look into this.
- **GOSHEN TOWN TOPICS ARTICLE UPDATE:** May 18, 2025, the deadline for the next issue that comes out in June. Liza will work on details of a flier for as much information for the Household Hazardous Waste event.
- **SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT:** Cindy reported that the following were posted on Next-Door social media website:
 - **APPLIANCE, SCRAP METAL AND TIRE PICKUP DAY** - First Friday of the month and residents must call USA Waste, 860-379-1662 to arrange pick-up. Reminder was done for Friday, Feb. 3, March 6, and April 3, 2026. <https://www.goshenct.gov/recycling-coordinator/pages/scrapped-metal-and-tire-pickup>
 - **2026 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY** - June 20, Saturday, 8:30 am till noon, Falls Village Public Works Garage, 100 Railroad Street, Falls Village Visit Town Website for more information. Registration is required to participate and can be done by calling 860-491-2308 x228.
 - **FABRIC RECYCLING BINS** - 2 locations in Goshen and bins are provided by Baystate Textiles. One is at Village Market Place parking lot area to the right of Goshen Pizza and also Goshen Center School Teacher's parking lot... Visit ... <https://www.baystatetextiles.com>
 - **LINK FOR GOSHEN RECYCLING INFORMATION** - Visit Goshen Town website ... <https://www.goshenct.gov/recycling-trash>
 - **REMINDER** - "Please, please, please" No white plastic or 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.
 - **COUNTERTOP COMPOSTING:** Interested in countertop composting??? Is it for you instead of a compost bin or pile??? Visit... <https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/appliances/g60373874/best-countertop-composter/>
 - **LINK FOR RECYCLING DAY PICKUP CALENDAR 2026** - Visit town website... https://www.goshenct.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlf626/f/uploads/2026_usa_calendar_for_goshen_w_street_list.pdf
 - **PAINTCARE PROGRAM IN CT** - Visit ... <https://www.paintcare.org/>
 - **COMPOSTING AND ORGANICS RECYCLING** - Visit link... <https://portal.ct.gov/deep/waste-management-and-disposal/organics-recycling/composting-and-organics-recycling> for information on the importance of these practices to keep organics out of the solid waste stream.
 - **"WHAT'S IN/WHAT'S OUT"** - Visit ... www.recyclect.com to learn about recycling in Connecticut.
 - **2026 RECYCLING EVENT FOR GOSHEN** - "Electronics, Paper Shred and Mattress/Boxsprings" - Saturday, April 4, 2026, 9 AM to 12 NOON... visit <https://www.goshenct.gov/recycling-trash/news/april-4th-recycling-day>
 - **PLASTIC FILM RECYCLING** - Reminder to bring clean films to grocery store collection bins. Visit ... <https://www.goshenct.gov/recycling-trash/pages/recycling-plastic-bags> and reminder that plastic films will be collected at our Town recycling event on April 4, 2026.
 - **TAKE2RECYCLE.COM** - Suggested to contact them directly if a resident could not wait till spring event to make arrangements to drop off electronics in Waterbury. Visit... <https://www.take2recycle.com/>
- **COMPOSTING IDEAS:** Keep composting please!
- **PLASTIC FILMS:** Keep collecting and they will be collected at our Goshen recycling event on April 4.
- **EARTH DAY - APRIL 22, 2026 - Wednesday:** Goshen Recreation, Erin Reilly, is doing the roadside clean up on April 18. Please contact Erin Reilly. Pat suggested that Liza contact USA to do a program at the Goshen Center School for Earth Day.

NEW BUSINESS: Cindy shared a website, ridwell.com, as an alternative for recycling items such as batteries. Cindy suggested we educate ourselves on this process. Sue asked for clarification of recycling on the tin cookie tins. Cindy will call USA to check on this. Discussion was had on these if they are like tin cans.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment.

ADJOURNMENT: **IN A MOTION** made by Patrick Reilly, seconded by Lucy Hussman, **it was VOTED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted.

Cynthia Barrett
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Received March 14, 2026 @ 11:24 AM.

Attest: *Bea Z Bue*
Goshen Town Clerk