

TOWN OF GOSHEN

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR RECYCLING AND TRASH - RATS 06/10/2026 - 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 7:01 PM.

ATTENDANCE:

In attendance at Town Hall Conference Room: Liza Albreada - Recycling Coordinator, Cindy Barrett, and Pat Reilly
Zoom: Annette Lott, Sue Rinaldi, and Rod Zander **Excused:** Lucy Hussman and Garret Harlow

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Minutes of the last special meeting, held on April 8, 2026, were emailed to members for review.

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

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

- a. **CORRESPONDENCE AND PHONE CALLS:** Liza reported approximately 4 calls were received. 2 new residents were in need of getting trash and recycling bins set up. Resident called inquiring if 8 foot long fluorescent light bulbs would be accepted at the HH Waste Collection day. Liza confirmed that they are accepted.
- b. **REPORTS ON RECYCLING EVENTS:** No additional information at this meeting to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

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

1. **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...<https://www.goshenct.gov/recycling-trash/news/household-hazardous-waste-collection-day-2026>

Liza reported that the flier and QR Code to register are now on the Town website.

Question was asked if lithium rechargeable batteries will be accepted. Discussion was had. This will be checked on the flier from Town Website. Battery discussion was had and questions regarding where to currently recycle at stores.

2. **Electronics, Paper Shred, Mattresses/Boxsprings Event** - to be held on Saturday, October 3, 2026, from 9 AM to 12 Noon, Goshen Town Hall parking lot and Goshen Center School Teacher's parking lot

- b. **GOSHEN TOWN WEBSITE UPDATE:** Liza reported that the **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day** had been posted.

- c. **GOSHEN TOWN TOPICS ARTICLE UPDATE:** August 18, 2026, is the deadline for the next issue. Liza reported that the **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day** for June, bulk waste pick up information, and **Electronics, Paper Shred, Mattresses/Boxsprings Event** for October were included.

d. **SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT:** Cindy reported that the following were posted on Next-Door social media website and also posted a recycling link for Goshen Town website on Goshen Chatter on Facebook:

- **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, July 3, 2026, pick-up <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, Oct. 3, 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 Oct. 3, 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/>
- **BEAR RESISTANT BINS** - Suggested to contact their trash hauler if bears have been a problem to get details on obtaining a bear proof bin and associated cost.

e. **COMPOSTING IDEAS:** Keep composting please! Liza and Sue are successfully using their countertop composters on a regular basis. Discussion was had on best practices for adding items and cycle length. Pat reported that a bear ate his small composter.

f. **PLASTIC FILMS:** Keep collecting and they will be collected at our Goshen recycling event on Oct. 3. Cindy will post on Nextdoor.

6. NEW BUSINESS: Questions were asked about when the Recycling contract comes due and NIPS funds amount.

ADJOURNMENT: **IN A MOTION** made by Patrick Reilly, seconded by Sue Rinaldi, **it was VOTED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 PM. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,


Cynthia Barrett

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Attest _____
Goshen Town Clerk