

ASWRC June Meeting

Date: 6/13/16

Attendance: John Hinds, Ros Arienti, Roz McLean, Katie Smith, Paul Schlein

**May minutes:** Approved.

### **What will be the focus of ASWRC for the next year?**

Household Hazardous Waste was a topic. As an aside, the committee would like to think of a way to consolidate units to save money next year. Ideas included training someone in hazardous waste to collect all town waste at the town hall and encouraging consolidation with neighbors. Our budget will need to increase if Hazardous Waste is the topic that we focus on next year.

We would also like to learn more about producing ZERO waste. How can it be done?

### **Town Meeting Talking Points**

At Town Meeting, Paul would like to remind residents that we can do better than our current numbers. Also, people will be encouraged to read the Annual Report. We will provide composting and recycling brochures at the meeting.

### **Composting brochure**

The brochure is well done! 210 brochures went out with the Annual Report. There are 40 still stuffed with the Annual Report and 50 extra of each composting and recycling brochures at Town Office.

### **Spreadsheets**

There are a few formula questions to resolve. Roz and Ros will complete the process of converting our data to spreadsheets this summer.

### **Bulky Items Pickup**

There will be two Bulky Items pickups this summer. The first will be one week before Labor Day and the second will be one week after Labor Day. The committee raised the question about offering a B.I.P. in the Spring.

### **Shed update**

Jon B. will begin to clean the shed of electronics when he returns to Maine. Signs are still in good shape.

### **Next Arrow article**

The next Arrow will be published in September. It was suggested to add one tip per issue regarding hazardous waste. We could contact the Natural Resources Council of Maine for a list of various household tips. One idea is to include environmentally healthy household cleaners. How about a tour and write-up on our trip to Casella?

\*Ros will contact Karen McNaughton.

### **Name change for ASWRC to something like "Arrowsic Resource (or Materials) Management"**

The word 'waste' is something that we may consider changing. This will be discussed again. Could we invite Karen Robbins to a meeting to share some of her ideas with regard to material management.

**Lobster Trap Wire composters**

Brooks Trap Company in West Bath has what we are looking for. Could we buy a roll of 100 feet, and cut it ourselves? Individually these cost roughly \$50.00 for the 4'x12' or 14' pieces of lobster wire.

This is something to research for next year.

**Website**

Ros would like to design a 'trash can' with links to composting, recycling, hazardous waste etc. from this home page. These would be webpages with printer friendly brochures and links to landfill etc.

**Committee**

What help could we use? We could possibly use more help in the shed. Could we contact a person as needed to assist with projects?

Tentative next meeting is August 15 at Town Hall at 6:00. We will communicate regarding the Arrow submission and Bulky Item Pickup Dates in lieu of a formal meeting in July.

Meeting adjourned: 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Katie Smith