

ASWRC October 26, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Paul Schlein, Roz McLean, John Hinds and Katie Smith

**September Minutes:** Approved.

**Electronic waste:**

Could we store e-waste at Town Hall in underneath storage space until next Fall's Rotary E-waste Collection Day? We could hold onto items that the town would be charged for, and recycle items that we are not charged for at Bath Landfill. Concern about whether items brought to be 'recycled' are being recycled was raised. There is an e-waste company that may pick up these items directly at the Town Hall. Another piece of this is the possibility of building a larger shed at some point. Another option is to stop taking e-waste at the shed.

For the time being West Bath (Pine Tree) will be the place to go when our shed and underneath storage space is overloaded with e-waste.

\*John will call the Lewiston based e-waste company to get a quote/price list and discuss the procedure. John will watch video from the company's website.

\*Paul will contact the Rotary to find out more about the event, and what company they use for recycling e-waste.

**Recycling costs at Bath Landfill and Pine Tree**

It appears that Pine Tree has lower costs than the Landfill for many items.

**Zero Waste Workshop**

Karen Robbins will attend on November 5 in Bar Harbor. Could she come and talk with us about the workshop? The committee will focus more on this at our next meeting.

**Batteries and the Shed:**

Batteries that contain lithium must be bagged before they are sent out. A box of alkaline batteries will be sent out shortly.

**HHW Spring 2017 Workshop**

George MacDonald at the state D.E.P. will look into the possibility of assisting us with a workshop. Lee Leiner doesn't think that Clean Harbors does presentations, but we should ask.

**Scrap Metal/E-Waste continued:**

Four ballasts will go to Pine Tree.

\*Paul will print out copies of cost lists for disposal through Pine Tree and Bath Landfill for both the shed AND anyone from the committee taking waste/recycling to either facility.

**Arrowsic Arrow article**

NRCM tip will be included.

\*Katie will do the clean and healthy housekeeping tip.

**Old business:**

Styrofoam recycling- Mail-it-4-U will only take clean styrofoam; no food storage containers.

**Casella Open House and private tour:**

There were a lot of people in attendance, but the tour was very short. The noise level was very high, making it difficult to ask questions. Casella said, if we are interested, they will organize a private tour, where more discussion could take place. For future reference, although it's hard to imagine that anyone could replace the superior service the RC Rogers has provided for almost 20 years, ecomaine in Portland is another option for recycling and trash, as Riverside Recycling is now handling Woolwich's material and taking it down there.

**Website changes** -Deferred until next meeting.

**Recycling brochure-** We could print out more of the current brochure if needed for the short term. Long term, it should be re-written.

**Spreadsheets-**Deferred until next meeting.

**Next meeting:** Monday, November 21, 6:00 Town Hall.  
Meeting Adjourned at 7:15.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Katie Smith