

## **ASWRC Minutes 1/23/17**

6:00: Roz's House

Present: Paul Schlein, Katie Smith, Ros Arienti, John Hinds, Bill Nickerson, Roz McLean

### **Updates on the following old business:**

#### **Invitation for Craig Rogers and Karen McNaughton to join February meeting.**

Paul talked to Craig about this meeting and he would be interested but is concerned that many people in town are putting recycling in plastic bags to recycle. These bags are not recyclable. Craig is worried that if Pine Tree decides to ban the bags, this might become a problem. It would be valuable for us to be educated.

Invite them to our March 20 meeting at Town Hall.

Can we recycle spiral notebooks? What about appropriate containers for shredded paper?

#### **HHW workshop and discussion with Gretchen MacLeod.**

Karen Robbins says that Gretchen did not work for Clean Harbors after all. Paul called Clean Harbors to see if they have any capacity for meeting with towns. They do that. Paul will follow up. There are 14 towns who participate in the spring collection in Bath. Maybe make our HHW workshop a regional event. Lee Leiner might help get the word out.

#### **Website**

Postpone until next meeting.

#### **Shed**

**Scrap metal storage.** It is going under Town Hall.

**Plastic bag influx.** Should we create a receptacle in the shed for these? No. Katie has collected grocery bags that were left in the Shed. People are dropping them off here rather than Shaw's. Paper bags that are left in the Shed are often from the bottle bin.

**CD's- who will take this on?** Katie will ask Laura Devin at Woolwich about using them for art. They can be shredded on the spot by certain companies (Paul has a name)- discussion item for next time. Bill will contact Bean's about this as well. What do they do with them?

**Batteries.** Batteries need to be sorted and sent out. John will do this with Bill.

### **Decisions to be made on the following:**

#### **Add co-chair position to ASWRC**

Katie would be willing to be co-chair rather than full chair.

#### **Approve December meeting minutes.**

Wait until recirculated

#### **Change term of ASWRC appointment, as per Select Board**

We need to create a warrant article that reflects a three year term rather than one year.

### **Mission statement timeline**

Paul floated our ideas for renaming the committee past Victor Horton. Some suggestions are: Arrowsic Resource Recovery Committee, Arrowsic Waste Reduction Committee, Arrowsic Sustainable Materials Committee. Victor liked the first one best. Paul emailed Karen Robbins who liked the first one as well.

### **Name change timeline**

Any changes to the name of the committee and Mission Statement have to be voted on by the Town. April 1 is the deadline for anything that will go before Town Meeting. Town lawyer will have to read it as well. Katie proposes a sub committee to work on the mission statement. Ros will review other towns' ordinances. **To do:** change to a 3 year term for members, rewrite our purpose on the ordinance, and rename the committee.

Enforcement of the ordinance has been discussed in the past, with stickers, letters and copies of the ordinance.

### **E-waste. Are we interested in organizing a pick-up with Dean?**

John will pay attention to how much waste we collect and when it reaches a critical mass John will call Dean. We'll be put on his route the next time he goes to Georgetown. We'll fill the available cabinet up under Town Hall and then the shelf in the Shed. When that is partially filled will be the time to call Dean. John will also continue to deal with scrap metal. He has taken the bike to Bath Bike and Ski who will fix it up for his own use.

### **Recycling Brochure- who would like to make preliminary edits to be completed by June?**

Paul has the master copy with updated notes. Paul will rewrite his notes and additional information. Ros will add new information to the brochure and put it on legal sized paper so it folds four times. Deadline for having them printed will be mid May so they can be included in the annual report. Clarify that the new one is a revision of the old one. Date the new one.

### **Discussions regarding the following:**

**Changing workshop from HHW to our first annual 'repair cafe' in the spring.** Postpone the repair cafe to the fall. Post articles on the website.

**Post items accepted for E-waste pickup** in the Arrow and on the website. John will make a comprehensive list of E-Waste items that can be left in the Shed. Ros will make a poster or flyer. What will E-Waste Maine accept?

**Announcement about 'repair cafe' on website and in The Arrow.** Arrow will be seasonal from now on. Bill will put a note in the spring issue asking for volunteers who might have repair skills- with link to article. Notification that we will hold the cafe in the fall. They can email Bill. Town email blast eventually. It has to go to the Select Board first.

**Next Meeting: February 13. Roz's house. Meeting adjourned 7:33PM**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Roz McLean**