

ARSWC
March 16, 2023
Meeting Minutes

Meeting via Zoom

Time: March 16, 2023 05:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Present: Nadine de Vries, Ros Arienti, John Hinds, Katie Smith, Wiebke Theodore

Start: 5:36 End: 6:46

Approve February Minutes: approved

[February 2023.docx - Google Docs](#)

Budget Request Review – Roz (not in attendance)

Annual Town Report

Due Tomorrow - but we have some time

[ARSWC Annual Report 22-23 draft.docx](#)

Roz and Nadine are working on budget numbers.

Updated Ordinance

Feedback from Select Board

[Arswc-ordinance_Jan2023-draft.docx - Google Docs](#)

- The only issue of concern was the bookkeeper position. We can make an unofficial position but it will not be town recognized
- Suggested that we review other town ordinances. Some are very specific, others are more general. Reviewed how other towns deal with offensives.

Swap Shed - Wiebke & John

Meeting with Mike and Malcolm

- Use Little Fire Barn – as a popup with volunteers –once a month 2nd Saturday of the month – starting May 13th
 - Temporary and experimental
 - Social, educational
- Need to share proposal with properties committee and submit to the Select Board for approval. – asking for use of space for swap shed that will always be monitored by volunteers.
 - Use recycled and donated materials for setting up

“Earth Day” Meeting

- Casella Presentation postponed

Roadside Cleanup

Date: April 29th with rain date on Sunday

HHW Statement

Notes from last year:

Household Hazardous Waste Collection for 2021: May 8, 2021, 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Telephone pre-registration is happening NOW by calling **1-888-958-2255**. [HERE](#) is more specific information about this event. Please consider minimizing HHW costs to the town and maximizing safety.

SAFETY: Absolutely NEVER mix different chemicals together in the collection. Also, always make sure you have a good seal on each container and secure them from tipping. If you know what a substance is make sure it is labeled accurately.

COST SAVING TIPS: At the collection event, we are charged \$29 /unit. One unit is 5 gallons or 10 pounds. They bill in whole units only, no partial units. Therefore, if you take 1- 2 gallon can of gas in your car and your neighbor takes 1- 1 gallon can of oil paint, the town is billed \$58 for those two cars. If instead you take your and your neighbor's same items in just your car, the town is billed \$29. Another example: if you take 1 mercury thermometer in your car, the town is billed \$29. But if you give that thermometer to someone to carry with their load, your thermometer is included in their total and is likely absorbed into a unit. Another example: if you take 5 cans with 1 inch of liquid in each can the town is billed as if all the cans are full, the town is billed \$29.

Also remember to minimize your purchase of hazardous materials in the first place. ARSWC

Truck Leak

Need to contact Craig and address this issue

Composting Survey - Ros

Ready to go, just need to decide to send out to residents

Compost Supply Sale - Katie

Shed Report John

- Box (47 pounds) of alkaline prepared, sealed dropped off at Mail it 4 up.
- Plan is to clear out the shed electronics and scrap metal by the end of March. Then we can start collecting fresh again.
- Progress made in demolition and recycling/trashing the backlog of household devices - stored at John's place.

Returnables

Returnable should be bagged in tall kitchen plastic or trash bags, this way saves work

Guides - tabled

- User's Guide
- New Resident Packet
- Renter's Packet

Tip of the Month -

- Grill Propane

Other items:

- **Katie Smith** announced that she was stepping down from the committee in order to focus on her new teaching career.

Next meeting: April 27, 2023