

WELLFLEET RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes for December 10, 2019

Wellfleet Library Meeting Room 11 am

Present: Chris Wisniewski, Jed Foley, Lydia Vivante (co-chair), Lonni Briggs, Jane Sharp and guests Kari Parcell and Carol Magenau

Lydia Vivante opened the meeting at 11:03

1. Jed announced the January 11 Fix-it Clinic from 2-5 in the library.
2. The Shellfish Advisory Board Meeting on December 9 concentrated on the problem of plastic gear. They have been receiving suggestions from all over the Eastern seaboard. Jane thought the new Provincetown Independent newspaper should do a feature article on the problem.
3. Bethia Brehmer has been working with Sustainable Practices to achieve a plastic bottle ban in town. This will coordinate nicely with the work Julian Cyr is doing on the Nip Bottle bill.
4. A group of citizens would like the Transfer Station to collect and allow sharing of packing peanuts, although TS director Mike Cicale would prefer we advertize in the Wellfleet Community FB page.
5. The Spaghetti Supper went zero waste with recycling and composting thanks to the use of community cutlery. Jane suggests we ask the State of the Harbor Conference to do the same.
6. Carry-in, carry-out has been done with volunteers at a few small beaches in Dennis. Should we try doing this at one beach in Wellfleet?
7. Chris W is busy posting on social media for the RC. She wonders about mentioning enterprises such as the Roving Refill Van. It was suggested she support them on her own social media pages unless they are not-for-profit entities.
8. Lydia spoke with Trader Joe's about their plastics' use. They are showing some movement on the issue and Lydia is hoping to pursue this with TJ's.
9. We will have our Zero Waste Public Service Announcement ready in about a month, providing 50 tips.
10. A new refill water station at Town Hall is currently on hold while a new location is sought by Mark Vincent for appropriate handicap access and lower cost.
11. Carol Magenau from the Energy Committee reported that the solar panels at the Transfer Station were ready to go, but were awaiting a final go-ahead. The panels on the library will apparently need to be replaced soon.
12. The minutes from November should be available for next meeting. The position of Treasurer is open to someone who can deal with the 5 different accounts the RC has with the Town Treasurer's office. There was no correspondence.
13. Kari Parcell said the boat shrink wrap program will function again in Eastham. The latex paint recycling continues, and the glass processing for aggregate is functioning well. Wellfleet will be able to recycle dead Xmas lights this year. She announced that Wellfleet is featured as a high achiever in the RDP grants.

The meeting was over at 11:36.

Notes by Lonni Briggs