

Willistown Recycling Commission

Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2016 – Two Pages

Attendees: Brian St. Clair, Ken Lehr, Karl Malessa, Bruce Hartlein, Jim Tate

- I. Minutes of 3/8 meeting.
 1. Approved with one minor revision.

- II. Old & Ongoing Business
 1. Video/audio/CD/DVD box is full again. Needs to be emptied.
 2. HOA Presidents' contact list. JT received during week of April 4th. JT will develop a plan for promoting recycling to this audience.
 3. Prescription drug drop box. Arrived and is set up for residents in the township police building—a location that is required by the program. Publicity – Towne Crier and township website. Letter to HOA contacts will be developed.
 4. Curbside recyclables list has been posted on township website.
 5. April 30th recycling drop off requirements.
 - a. Labels for Freon-containing appliances.
 - b. Labels for TV and computer monitors.
 - c. Curbside signs for recycling event at the entrance to 688 Sugartown Rd.
 - d. Buckets for cell phones and inkjet cartridges.
 - e. Boxes for video- and audiotapes, CDs and DVDs.
 - f. Work schedule for event on 4/30 (9 – 1). JT to develop.

- III. Hough Company recommendation and vote.
 1. It was unanimous to forgo using this company to handle recycling vendor tonnage reports and the annual PADEP grant application. The Hough system is, in essence, a misuse of the PADEP recycling grant program.

- IV. Recycling ordinance – Ongoing.

- V. New Business
 1. Postcard mailer from township to residents listing five recycling events and the statement "For more information, see township website."
Reaction from residents to date has been a flood of phone calls to JT—much higher than in any of the previous 14 annual drop-off recycling events. Most of those calling were seeking more information about what can and cannot be recycled and will there be people at 688 to help unload items, will there be a charge, and what is e-waste?

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2. Next issue (late April/early May) of Towne Crier will not contain a listing of items that can and cannot be brought to the April 16th (HHW), or the April 30th drop-off event, as in previous years. May 7th wood chipping and May 21st document shredding particulars will be included in the late April/early May issue of Towne Crier.

 3. Document shredding event on May 21st – need four more 90-gallon, rolling, trash containers. Having two of the shredding company's and four from Willistown Public Works will allow quicker drop off and thereby reduce back up of auto-- a problem in 2015.

 4. Introduction of Bruce Hartlein, new member of the Recycling Commission.
- VI. Next Meeting: May 10th – 688 Sugartown, 7PM.

Jim Tate
Chairman, Recycling Commission