

TOWN OF HAMDEN

**SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING COMMISSION MEETING
HAMDEN GOVERNMENT CENTER
MAIN FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
2750 DIXWELL AVENUE
HAMDEN, CONNECTICUT**

February 11, 2015

COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE: Robert Mark, Chairman
Janice Crann
Amy Ruhlman, Vice Chairman
Bill Sikorsky

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Pam Roach, Recycling Coordinator
Peggy Craft, Commission Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mark called the meeting to order at 7:46 PM.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance was taken as noted above.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2015 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Mark noted that Ms. Craft presented an article regarding Ecoworks. Ms. Roach noted that in the second paragraph under New Business the word should be composters not compactors. Mr. Mark noted that the adjournment time was 8:48 PM not 8:28 PM.

Commissioner Sikorsky motioned to accept the Minutes of the January 2015 Meeting as amended. Commissioner Ruhlman seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Mark noted the following communications:

Ms. Roach sent information regarding the following:

NERA 2014 Fall Conference
CRC December Organic Conference and Trade Show
Copy of Ecoworks article
February Waste Advantage Magazine

Mr. Mark sent in the Earth Day Registration

Mr. Mark has not received any Scavenger Hunt questions.

Ms. Ruhlman suggested having three different bins showing the three different methods of recycling at the Earth Day event.

Next, Ms. Roach explained the types of plastics that will be acceptable at the planned bin at Walmart. There was a lengthy discussion regarding this topic. Ms. Roach read a list of the types of plastic and film articles that will be acceptable.

There was a discussion regarding the picture of the recycling sculpture that was e-mailed to the Commissioners.

RECYCLING COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Roach met with a representative of the Mattress Recycling Council along with Deputy CAO Julie Smith, Public Works Director Craig Cesare, and Transfer Station Superintendent Joe Collello. CWPM will pick up the mattresses and take them to a mattress recycling facility. There will be a container placed at the Transfer Station. Resident can place mattresses in this container. This will be a free program. Ms. Roach added that there will now be a recycling fee when mattresses are purchased.

Ms. Roach said Earth Day is rolling along. Ms. Roach is lining up food vendors, displays, sponsors, etc.

Our recycling vendor, Take 2, gives us a quarterly reimbursement for certain electronic. Ms. Roach received a check for \$655 for the last quarter of 2014.

CRC members will be going on a tour of Ecoworks and Urban Miners.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to come before the Commission.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business to come before the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the Commission and Chairman Mark called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner **Ruhlman motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Crann seconded the motion that passed unanimously. Chairman Mark adjourned the meeting at 8:35 PM.**

Submitted by: _____
Peggy Craft, Commission Clerk