

# TRANSFER STATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES- Meeting Date 05<sup>th</sup> April 2013 (Draft Copy)

**PRESENT:** Dot Kelly (Chair), Allison Stolar, Susan Cameron, Finley Wetmore (ex-officio)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Darren Oustafine- Town of Darien- DPW, Chris Oxe- City Carting (CC), Terry Gaffney, Wendy Ward

## EDUCATION

- Education plan initiated April 1<sup>st</sup>
- NEWSPAPER ARTICLE to run in Darien Times April 04<sup>th</sup> issue' page A7
- SSR INSERT- full color, printed front and back
  - o Laminated copies placed at the Darien Recycling Center (DRC)
  - o Posted on both Darien Patch and the Darien Times
  - o Inserts available for public dispersal at DPW office in town hall
- SCHOOLS- e-blast submitted to all schools for distribution
  - o Goal is to have a link to the insert included in the blurb
- TELEVISION-Channel 79 to run spot on SSR in two weeks
  - o information reformatted to Power Point in order to be 'camera-friendly'
  - o Includes a page on SWAP SHOP to encourage residents to recycle as much as possible
- Task to compile information on all aspects of recycling other than SSR to minimize confusion

## TOWN WEB-BASED INFORMATION

- Anthony Taccone responsible for posting on DPW's web page
- Jim Flynn is only authorized person to change Town website
  - o Mr. Flynn to be contacted to try to have 'button' put on web page to access SSR information
    - May require approval from First Selectman

## DARIEN RECYCLING CENTERS (DRC) STICKERS

- New regulation on stickers will limit households to 3 stickers, tied to specific autos
- Plan is to make renewal stickers available for purchase on the web
- New regulations to be included in 'New Resident Package' handled by Darien Environmental Group
- Issue on senior pricing misconstrued, Senior pricing is per person, not per household

## DPW TOWN ORDINANCE

- Public Works Committee on RTM to update document
- DEEP definitions forwarded to Steve Anderson by Darren Oustafine

## TASKS REMAINING

- RESIDENTIAL-
  - o Some residents unaware they must purchase sticker to access DRC
- HAULERS
  - o Some hauler's pick-up personnel still unaware of SSR / MSW
- COMMERCIAL CLIENTS
  - o David Genovese has agreed to spearhead information drive among businesses
- SCHOOLS
  - o Fluorescent collection to be handled by Rodney Brown, head of maintenance
  - o NLR requires separate certificate to include each school under contract
  - o CC has concern that bulk aggregation of bulbs presents a safe handling issue
  - o Board of Ed is appropriate conduit (Mike Lynch) to distribute appropriate instructions
  - o TRACKING PROGRESS- assess MSW/SSR load before pickup; photos recommended

## MATTRESSES

- Anticipate a new guideline from State of CT on mattress disposal
- Town has had no issue with mattress disposal
  - o Most mattress retailers now pickup old mattresses upon delivery

## **SCHOOLS**

- All bins now in place
- Signage in place above all bins
- Textile recycling viewed as too much work and too distant a goal for High School task item
  - o Concept raised for future consideration as a potential fund-raising vehicle for clubs
- Presentation to be made to faculty members Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup>
- Blue Wave News has SSR article included

## **TEXTILES**

- Goodwill, Salvation Army each have 2 non-revenue generating bins on site now
  - o Placement is through the good grace of town, not on a contractual basis
- USAgain will provide Town with a revenue generating collection process; in addition to revenue it will:
  - o Pickup non-useable textiles as well, which recycles otherwise MSW disposal has sent agreement
  - o Contact info-USAGAIN- Mt. Vernon NY- Anthony Sterbens 718-810-2527
  - o DPW's concern is Certificate of Insurance which is now in Bob Steeger's hands
  - o Bin placement will require removal of three current bins due to space limitations
    - Noted Goodwill's pickup record is spotty
    - Plan to eliminate Goodwill's presence and reduce Salvation Army to one bin
- DPW's concern is over insurance certificate
- Bin Placement Recommendations
  - o Place 3 bins down by Swap Shop
  - o Place 1 bin up by building

## **LIGHT BULBS**

- Boxes and signage for fluorescent bulb disposal will be in place nlt April 11<sup>th</sup>
- Brian Watson at NLR to set up accounting procedure

## **HAULER MEETING**

- Next meeting May 30<sup>th</sup>
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