

Notes from RREC on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Elise called the meeting to order at 10:02.

Attendees: Elise Cozzi, Sue Jungi, Tom Jung (myself), Terri Rutter, and Staff: Erin Ellis Guest: Kari
Parcell Barnstable County

First discussion topic: electric charging stations

- Mass Save offers grants for charging stations
- Eversource will install infrastructure for free; Tom asked if the spots have to be municipal or private; Elise to look into
- Erin suggested we try to figure out if there is guidance on how many spots the Town of Provincetown may need (state guidelines regarding # of spaces needed based on parking spots, etc.)
- Elise to see if we can do a walk-through the town with Eversource to determine potential spots

Second topic: black plastic; Tom said that we should use recyclesmartma.org for information regarding whether something is recyclable or not. Here's the entry regarding black plastic:

<https://recyclesmartma.org/results-materials/#!rc-page=296160>.

Bottom line: while black plastic#5 is recyclable, it cannot be easily sorted by the Casella MRF in Charlestown due to limitations of the optical sorters and thus black plastic should be put in the trash.

When in doubt throw it out!

Third topic: plastic water bottle ban and whether we should promote reusable bottles Stainless steel vs aluminum?

Fourth topic: Elise mentioned that Jill Talladay from CARE for the Cape & Islands has grant money for potentially giving out reusable stainless water bottles.

Elise moved to write grant for stickers for Butt Buttlers and storm Drains. Tom 2nd.

Fifth topic: Discussion about plastic bags and a handful of establishments that are using “thicker” plastic bags.

Sue requested that we set a consistent time and day for future meetings. The Town’s website said that we meet the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.