

**Recycling & Renewable Energy Committee Minutes**  
**Wednesday October 5, 2022**  
**10:00 a.m.**

Present: Tom Jung (Chair), Elise Cozzi, Sue Jungi, Nancy Lockwood, Lydia Hamnquist  
Town of Provincetown: Sherry Prada (DPW); Dan Riviello, new Asst. Town Manager

- Tom calls the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
- Sue moved to approve the minutes from September 14, 2022. Lydia second. Vote to approve was unanimous.
- Reminder about two open positions on RREC
- The group welcomed new Assistant Town Manager, Dan Riviello, to the meeting. Dan comes to us from the City of Cambridge, where he worked in the Department of Public Works
- Discussion ensued about action plans from the previous meetings list of goals. Goals are highlighted in bold:
  - **Install better signage at Transfer Station:** Sue agreed to make a field trip to inventory existing signage and where new and/or improved signage is needed. A redesign of the transfer station is underway with the possible movement of the Swap Shop.
  - **Distribute recycling magnets:** Tom to replenish magnets at DPW and make new magnets for distribution at Town Hall via Aaron Hobart. Magnets will be offered to those being issued rental certificates
  - **Improve municipal trash & recycling barrels:** Nancy and Tom volunteered to paint the existing green barrels **blue** after Halloween weekend. Elise found a more appropriate **blue lid** which constricts the opening and does not allow rain in. New stickers are needed for both trash & recycling receptacles (possibly adding “dog poop here” stickers)
  - **Maintain cigarette buttlers:** no specific actions
  - **Add GIS Map layers for eco initiatives:** water bottle filling stations, buttlers, EV charging stations, trash & recycling receptacles, etc.
  - **Use bio-degradable dog poop bags**
  - **Continue Great American Rain Barrel program:** No action until spring. Plan is to distribute barrels in May.
  - **Increase tree planting:** Nancy to reach out to the hardware stores and to the Public Landscaping Committee regarding “Pearl” grass seed which is drought tolerant.
  - **Support energy-related Town goals:** no specific actions identified
  - **Composting (new goal):** Nancy informs the group that the company Agresource will pickup compost. Sherry to investigate the system in use in Dennis with the possibility of transporting our “food scraps” to their transfer station. Tom to invite Kari Parcell (Barnstable County) to a future meeting to discuss possible county-wide initiatives.
  - **Re-visit how our brush is handled (new goal):** Tom to investigate what Noon’s does in Truro. Kari Parcell to possibly advise us at a county level.

- Sherry gave Tom the most current recycling & trash tonnage numbers. Tom to re-work existing graph so that year over year comparisons can be made.
- Sherry informed the group that our mattresses now go to Eastham which saves the Town \$300 in transportation costs
- Elise suggests "no idle" signs
- Next meeting: Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.
- Tom moved to adjourn at 11:20 a.m. Lydia second. Roll call vote unanimous.