

North Yarmouth Recycling Committee

Minutes: August 1st, 2022

Attendees: Scott Kaplan, Darcy Cunningham, Laurie Gilman, Jim Briggs, Nicole Hewes

Select Board Liaison: Brian Sites

1. Call to Order: 7:07 PM
2. Approval/Amendment of Minutes
 - a. Approved 5-0; Jim motion, Laurie second
3. Old Business
 - a. Public Input
 - b. Update from Brian
 - i. MSAD 51 is working on creating a community Sustainability Committee
 - c. Tuesday Markets
 - i. How is it going?
 1. Pop-up tent is a great resource for hotter market days
 2. Attendance is slow and inconsistent
 3. Compost bin is diverting waste from the food truck

- ii. Rest of Summer:

8/2	Scott	Buy Nothing
8/9	Lisa	NRCM
8/16	Laurie	Plastic-Free September, EcoMaine, & (maybe) Go-Go Refill
8/23	Lisa	Wild Seed Project

- d. Planning for Plastic-Free October
 - i. Eco-Maine knows that alternatives to plastic is the focus of the 8/16 market
 - ii. Updating/refreshing table booth for Plastic-Free October
 - iii. Bring plastic-free alternatives to the 8/16 market for the table display
 - iv. Once-a-week social media posts with tips & suggestions for Plastic-Free October
 1. Start posting them in September with a “Get Ready for Plastic-Free October” theme

4. New Business
 - a. August 10th & 24th: North Yarmouth Movie Nights
 - i. 4 Food Trucks; want to have compost bin for waste at these events
 - b. October 29th - Trunk or Treat
 - i. Recycling Committee invited to have a space/trunk for the event

- c. Books/Resources for plastic-free
 - i. Book options?
 - ii. Gift copies?
 - iii. Lending Library?
- d. Review Nicole's Draft of Committee's Annual Report
- e. Note: Spring Clean-Up Day idea
- f. Note: Possible committee rebranding as "Sustainability Committee"

5. Adjournment

- a. Adjournment: 8:05 PM
- b. Next Meeting: Monday, September 12th (tentative date)

To-Dos:

- Nicole - Create a Plastic-Free October template for our social media posts
- Darcy will talk to Garbage to Garden about compost bins for the Movie Night events
- Aim to get first sustainability tips scheduled for September → "Simple Sustainability Swaps"
 - Add your tips to this Google Doc: [Simple Sustainability Tips](#)