Town of North Yarmouth

NY Waste Reduction Committee

Date Jan 8, 2023

7:00 – 8:00 PM

Community Room at Wescustago Hall & North Yarmouth Community Center

I. Call to Order

II. Minutes Approval

III. Old Business

- a. Public input
- b. Chair or Co-chair position, Secretary position, subcommittee assignments
- c. Plastic Subcommittee report : Laurie, Nicole, Mike
- d. Food Waste Subcommittee report : Lisa, Keith, Jim (including next speaker)
- e. Update: Mike re paper-based dog poo bags
- f. Update- Mike re xmas trees how did it go?
- g. Update: Keith update re Greater Portland Council on Climate Change
- h. Updates re new collection bins, FAQ's, etc?

IV. New Business or tabled items

- a. How to coord/keep in touch with surrounding towns and their new regs eg regarding plastic bags, compostable food ware at town events, (Falmouth and York both have new initiatives. Cities enacting eventually roll up to State once there is positive experience – eg w plastic bag ban) "Beyond Plastics" has a toolkit for municipal actions. (Suggestion/process arose from Oct Speaker M Belliveau)
- b. Update re plastic bag/wrap recycling at Hannaford's et al

V. Any Other Business

VI. <u>Adjournment</u>

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Committee Name: Waste Reduction Committee, an Advisory Committee to the Select Board

Mission: The purpose of the Waste Reduction Committee is to advise and assist the town in transitioning toward a zero-waste community, examining and highlighting opportunities to minimize waste in North Yarmouth. The committee will educate and promote regarding best practices in how our community consumes and disposes of goods and services via events, social media, classes, etc.