North Yarmouth Waste Reduction Committee

Minutes: 4/1/24

Attendees: Laurie Gilman, Nicole Hewes, Keith Bubblo, Jim Briggs, Mike Billon, Lisa Belanger, Andrea Berry

1. Call to Order: 7:05PM

- 2. Approval/Amendment of Minutes from March Meeting
 - a. Keith moves to accept the minutes, Jim seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

3. Old Business

- a. Public Input
- b. Food Waste Subcommittee Updates (10 minutes)
 - i. MSAD51 Composting Initiative
 - 1. Lisa relayed that the March meeting was postponed and a reschedule date has not yet been established
 - ii. Recap March 9th Event
 - 1. Well attended event; feeling is that pairing with the library was something that elevated the event and extended the reach
 - 2. Possible expansion of speaker series

4. New Business

- a. Discussion & Calendar Planning of Community Priorities/Events for 2024 (40 minutes)
 - i. Swap shop / Bulky Waste Day event (5/4/24)
 - 1. Discussing replacing Swap Shop with the "Junk in the Trunk", hosted at Greely
 - a. Pushing date of Junk in the Trunk to a later date (summer), disassociated from Bulky Waste Day
 - ii. Town clean-up effort
 - 1. Plastic subcommittee to do a follow up
 - 2. Eyeing May 4th, trying to piggy back off Bulky Waste Day
 - iii. MSAD51
 - 1. Expected to start composting Fall of 2024
 - iv. Expanding Garbage to Garden
 - 1. Explore location/partnership with Pownal

- v. Supporting trash transition
- vi. Brush dump / other ideas from discussion with Denny
- vii. Stronger website / Social media presence for resource-sharing (needs Select Board approval)
 - 1. Events/Speaker series announcements
 - 2. Plastics \rightarrow Education
 - 3. Food waste info and tips
 - 4. CAP updates
 - 5. Recycle, Upcycle, Apparel Impact, and other resource information
- viii. <u>Tentative Calendar</u>
- 5. Any Other Business
- 6. Adjournment 7:58pm