

Arlington Recycling Committee
Minutes of 3/1/12

Present: Co-Chair Juli Brazile, DPW Assistant Director Teresa DeBenedictis, DPW Recycling Coordinator Charlotte Milan, Sue Stamps, Adam Kneissler, Peggy Powell, Secretary Pete Howard

1. Introductions: Adam was welcomed.

2. DPW news/announcements: The new contract should be signed this month. It will include the features in the Rademacher memo from last month. Solid waste tonnage is down a little from last month (Ref 3). Charlotte provided a handout (Ref 1) with dates for the next 9 months for review.

3 Recycling promotional activities:

Uncle Sam posters Juli tried to use the Real Uncle Sam logo developed for the tourism committee but it doesn't work. The plan is to distribute the posters to each of the elementary schools along with a survey to find out what each school needs. This project is approved by the Superintendent.

Survey: Charlotte, using a handout (Ref 2), related recycling goals to measurable facilities/behavior to survey questions. The members found this a reasonable approach.

New collection program: Juli proposed using Town Meeting to explain it with a handout coordinated with an ARC report. Rademacher will be prepared to answer questions.

Recycling tips: After some discussion, we decided to try working through Joan Roman and the Town website. Perhaps the adocate can get the material there. Another possibility is a series of ppt pages for use by ACMI. Also mentioned were Wicked Local, Your Arlington, Patch, and The Arlington List

EcoFest: DPW will staff a table. They will provide an array of info. They will sell up to 40 heavy tarpaper composting bins. The cost was \$53/bin. As in previous years, the ARC agreed provide a \$13 subsidy making the price \$40 for a total possible outlay of \$520.

4. On-going discussion: waste reduction strategies

Lunch trays: Charlotte described a webinar which she recently watched which was given by DEP. The NY City schools are using a school program that uses paper plates one day a week instead of styrofoam. If clean, the trays are recycled. If covered w/ catsup they are trashed. They also teach the children to dump then stack their trays to save space in the trash bags.

Charlotte also reported that the Bishop parents and janitor are planning a sink to collect lunchroom liquids so that the containers can be recycled. DPW will provide a bag frame for the containers.

Charlotte will update the bin location map.

Library/Got Books bin – Juli reviewed this initiative. Teresa expects there will be room at the Town Yard.

5. Committee memberships update: Adam has agreed to fill out our roster.

6. New business:

Sue noted that the Annual Town Report does not contain an ARC report. She volunteered to write it next year. Teresa said recycling info is in the DPW report this year.

Sue suggested that businesses should recycle more. Perhaps under the new contract, the hauler would pick up recycleable even when not on their list. Recycling may not otherwise be an option for businesses that use a private hauler. Sue will discuss the hauler permit requiring hauler to offer recycling service.

Sue suggested that every Town trash barrel should have a recycle barrel beside it. Teresa said she would like to get more big belly barrels for the parks.

The Mystic River Watershed Assoc will host a program on rain gardens 3/22 at 7 PM in the Senior Center.

Schedule of future meetings - First Thursday of each month: 4/5, 5/3

Ref 1 Draft dates

Ref 2 Survey structure

Ref 3 Solid Waste Diversion

February 21, 2012

Memo To: Mike Rademacher, Teresa DeBenedictis, Dan Warren

From: Charlotte Milan

RE: 2012 Collection dates, draft for final review

The following dates are proposed for the 2012 solid waste diversion activities. Please review the CRT dates for any conflicts you anticipate.

March 31 (Sat) Peirce School collection day- CRTs

April 14 (Sat) P/U CRTs

April 21 (Sat) Hazardous waste

April 27 (Fri) *Trial* Friday CRT P/U

May 12 (Sat) Community Collection day- P/U and drop off CRTs

May 19 (Sat) Hazardous Waste

June 16 (Sat) Hazardous waste

June 23 (Sat) P/U CRTs

July 21 (Sat) Hazardous waste

August 18 (Sat) Hazardous waste

September 8 (Sat) P/U CRTs

September 16 (Sun) Hazardous waste

October 20 (Sat) Hazardous waste

October 26 (Fri) Put aside for possible Friday CRT P/U, subject to success of April trial

November 10 (Sat) Hazardous waste

November 17 (Sat) Community Collection Day- P/U and drop off CRTs

We can add additional School recycling drives as we become aware of them.

Please submit your comments to Charlotte so that we may accommodate any conflict by March 1. After that date this calendar will be made ready for wide distribution and promotion.

Thank You.

Ref 2

Goal	Separate out all curbside-recyclable materials in classrooms and offices		Separate recyclables in all building locations during school and after school hours		
Evidence	Recycle Paper	Recycle cans, bottles, plastics	Recycle in cafeteria	Recycle at school events	Recycle at after- and before-school programs
	How many classrooms are there in your building?		Do you currently collect recyclables in the cafeteria?	Does your school offer recycling receptacles at all school-hosted events?	Does your building house an afterschool program in the cafeteria or gymnasium?
	How many additional rooms create recyclable materials, excluding the cafeteria?		Are students able to drain liquid from drink containers before they go in the trash or recycling?		
Goal	Recycling is incorporated into the culture of the school			Recycling is incorporated into the school curriculum	
Evidence	Clear age-appropriate signage for all recycling locations	Students and adults make decisions about recycling	Students share responsibility for recycling in the building	Principals encourage teachers to discuss recycling and waste avoidance during classroom time	Teachers have the resources (time and materials) to discuss recycling and waste avoidance in their classrooms
	How is the school community made aware of what is recyclable and where those items are collected?	Who is responsible for the recycling activities in the building?	What role do students play in recycling activities?		

Ref 3

TOWN OF ARLINGTON

Waste Management
Curbside Collect Contract FY2012
Appn: 0143382-5242

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FY2012 Appropriation	2,228,292.00
Expenses to Date	<u>1,287,716.45</u>
Available Appropriation	<u>940,575.55</u>

	Bill Info		Solid Waste		Recycling				Yard Waste		White Goods		Fuel	Inv. Total	Dumpsters
	Date	Inv. Nbr.	Tons	Flat Rate	News	Co-Mingld	S Stream	Flat Rate	Tons	Flat Rate	Units	@\$19.10	Rebate		
Jul.	8/1/11	1405528	1,141.73	114,808.00	0.00	0.00	309.57	44,534.66	162.00	22,436.66	17	324.70	(2,160.60)	179,943.42	765.06
Aug.	9/1/11	1410250	1,369.38	114,808.00	0.00	0.00	379.24	44,534.66	173.25	22,436.66	16	305.60	(2,160.60)	179,924.32	9,329.30
Sep.	10/1/11	1415947	1,312.20	114,808.00	0.00	0.00	403.30	44,534.66	252.00	22,436.66	13	248.30	(2,160.60)	179,867.02	4,001.39
Oct.	11/1/11	1421512	1,205.09	114,808.00	0.00	0.00	372.29	44,534.66	200.25	22,436.66	7	133.70	(2,160.60)	179,752.42	2,871.10
Nov.	12/1/11	1427026	1,278.62	114,808.00	0.00	0.00	438.24	44,534.66	814.50	22,436.66	14	267.40	(2,160.60)	179,886.12	4,139.44
Dec.	1/1/12	1432633	1,236.03	114,808.00	0.00	0.00	474.01	44,534.66	90.00	22,436.66	7	133.70	(2,160.60)	179,752.42	3,464.60
Jan.	2/1/12	1437055	1,122.36	114,808.00	0.00	0.00	412.54	44,534.66	54.00	22,436.66	9	171.90	(2,160.60)	179,790.62	4,229.22
Feb.															
Mar.															
Apr.															
May															
Jun.															
Totals			8,665.41	803,656.00	0.00	0.00	2,789.19	311,742.62	1,746.00	157,056.62	83	1,585.30		1,258,916.34	28,800.11

Total of all tons: 13,200.60
Avg rate per ton: 95.37

2,789.19 Recycling Tons

Tons are as reported by Waste Management

FY 2011 Tip Fee @ Wheelabrator North Andover \$66.00
FY 2012 Tip Fee @ Wheelabrator North Andover \$68.00

CY 2012 Totals:

Jan-Jun FY2012	1,122.36	0.00	0.00	412.54	54.00	9
Jul-Dec FY2013	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Total	<u>1,122.36</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>412.54</u>	<u>54.00</u>	<u>9</u>

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