Arlington Recycling Committee Minutes 2/3/11

Present: Gordon Jamieson(co-chair), Juli Brazile (co-chair) Ruth Yannetti (DPW), Brucie Moulton (Sustainable Arlington), Pete Howard (Secretary)

TONNAGE: Gordon showed a chart of monthly trash tonnage (Ref 1) corrected for the spring rain storm tonnage (he assumed the March tonnage same as March 2009). This chart shows the annual tonnage continues to decrease which may bring the FY11 total well below 15kT.

MINUTEMAN HAZARDOUS WASTE and COMPOSTING FACILITY 2011 SCHEDULE Ruth passed out copies of the schedule with 8 dates starting in April & ending in November.

PAYT: Ruth has a CD of the Q&A session the PAYT Committee sponsored last month. It was taped and broadcast by ACMI. Pete noted that Ryan Ferrara, Carolyn Dann & he plan to ask for FinCom support on 2/14 w/ a prepared presentation.

RECYCLING PROMOTION ACTIVITIES

- .. Collection bin network (update locations/map) There are now 5 bins located at Thompson School, Swifty Printing, St Camillus, Town Yard and St Agnes. The map on the website should be updated.
- .. Compost bin promotion: The ARC will subsidize the black fiber bins at \$25 each to a total of \$120. Sales will be mostly at Eco Fest though some may be purchased at DPW offices.
- .. E-Alert Recycling reminders Ruth will discuss ARC's desire that recycling be included as part of any trash/yard waste collection e-alerts)
- .. Give your stuff away (a town-wide, free-on-curb swap event) May 14th .. Promote using buck slip in Treasurer mailing, as an article in Advocate, as an E-Alert, as a cable interview.
- .. MassRecycle's .. This organization is planning printed recycling advertisements. Local input is possible. A brief discussion followed.
- .. Advocate A series that addresses all of the above in a consistent format would be desirable.

ARC BUDGET/ARTICLE 35: Gordon proposed reducing the appropriation to the ARC and instead using the white goods revolving fund to fund ARC efforts. Members thought this would be a good idea.

COMMUNITY COLLECTION DAY .. Ruth hopes to have it set up before she leaves. Gordon suggested that the drugs & sharps stop be located where cars could more easily get away, since many people come for this reason only. Two possibilities are right after Bikes Not Bombs or by the back fence, There was also discussion of how to reduce the confusion about electronics. One good step

would be to send all cars w/ electronics through the TV/Propane line. CCD should be publicized at Eco Fest.

NEXT MEETING March 3 at 7:30, Town Hall Annex

Ref 1 Tonnage 31Dec11.pdf

