Arlington Recycling Committee Minutes of 1/9/14

PRESENT: Co-Chair Juli Brazile, Co-Chair Gordon Jamieson, Erica Riddington, Secretary Pete Howard

COORDINATOR'S REPORT (Ref 1): Charlotte provided her report by email. There is no significant change. She will spend most of her time in the near future on an audit of the JRM collection performance. Some residents have raised questions. Work on kitchen waste composting will wait until after the audit.

BUSINESS RECYCLING: Juli & Susan's email will go out to businesses this month via the Chamber of Commerce. They have received many returns from the Board of Health enabled survey. Juli will work w/ Janice to tally to answers. A meeting w/ the Town Manager is planned.

ECO FEST PARTICIPATION: The theme will be Rethink Recycling! Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose. It will take place on the last Saturday in March. The ARC will share a table w/ DPW. Our focus will be on diversion for the trash stream. Erica will make a sona-tube display with examples of all the various kinds of paper that should be recycled. Pete will draft 2 Power Point slide shows based on the recycling guide. One will show a series of YES Recycle this (picture). The other will show a series on NO Don't Recycle this (picture). Gordon will draft a handout of diversion channels also based on the recycling guide. Juli will canvas our list for volunteers to critique & add to these drafts. Pete will email Charlotte a description of his reuses for milk bottles for possible use at other booths.

PLASTIC FILM RECYCLING: Juli is looking for a volunteer. See December minutes.

OPEN TOPICS

Collection Bin map: Done by Charlotte and posted. Juli will look for a volunteer the critiques the map.

Survey of residents on ARC mailing list: This idea has been dropped in favor of direct recruiting by Juli for specific jobs as noted elsewhere in these minutes.

Advocate/Patch Recycling Promotion Articles: Charlotte is doing an excellent job with the Advocate. Juli will discuss using Joan Roman's email alerts for occasional recycling articles

Volunteer Opportunities: Discussed elsewhere.

Bulk item collection: Revisit next fall.

Mow leaves into lawn.

Maybe have a compost display in front of DPW.

FUTURE MEETINGS: Feb 6 continuing on 1st Thursday during following months

Ref 1 Coordinator's Report