

Minuteman Household Hazardous Products Facility Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 5, 2015

The meeting of the Minuteman Hazardous Products Facility Committee was called to order at 2:35 PM by Faye Andrews, Chair, in Room 125 at the DPW building in Lexington.

Present: Eileen Zubrowski, Waltham; Faye Andrews (Chair), Bedford; Gerard Cody, Robert Beaudoin, Betty Ann Racioppi, Lexington; Charlotte Milan, Arlington; Wesley Chin, Belmont; Rod Robison, Concord; Elaine Carroll, Lincoln; Deborah Rosati, Watertown; Wesley Chin, Belmont; Seth Dawber, Clean Harbors

Minutes: The minutes from the April 6, 2015 meeting were reviewed and approved.

4/18/15 Hazardous Waste Collection:

Rod Robison, Rob Beaudoin, and Seth Dawber were present at the 4/18/15 Hazardous Waste Collection. All three reported that the event went smoothly and there were no issues. Clean Harbors was very well staffed with fifteen employees on site. There were a total of 427 vehicles throughout the event, but waiting time was minimal. Lexington's DPW director and some members of Lexington's solar task force were present to view the operation.

Site Operations Update:

Rob Beaudoin indicated the site is all set and ready for the 5/16/15 collection which will be staffed by Arlington. The fluorescent bulbs have been removed.

Road Flares.

Clean Harbors will accept road flares should a resident bring them, however none of the eight MHP communities will promote / advertise flare collection at this time.

Mercury Spills (off site).

Residents who have mercury spills (i.e. mercury contaminated carpet & other mercury contaminated items) should be instructed to call Clean Harbors or other environmental contractor directly rather than bringing mercury-contaminated items to MHP site.

Solar Update.

Lexington's power purchase agreement is in development and has not yet been finalized. Rob mentioned that the solar contractor, BrightFields, indicated they would like to attend a future MHP Committee meeting to discuss the proposed solar canopy. A member(s) of Lexington's solar task force may attend the meeting as well. Seth provided a sketch of a potential two-lane unloading station under the proposed solar canopy (in lieu of the current one-lane set up).

MHP Budget.

FY14 expenses were provided for each of the eight MHP communities along with FY15 expenses through 11/8/14.

Winchester.

The town of Winchester has expressed interest (verbally) in becoming an MHP community. Charlotte moved that Winchester should make a formal (written) request and this motion was

seconded and all present voted in favor of recommending that Winchester submit a formal request. It was also mentioned that Seth should have the opportunity to weigh in on this matter. A majority (2/3's) vote would be required in order for Winchester to become a MHP member community.

Bike Policy.

The existing "no bikes" policy was discussed and will remain in effect.

Idling.

The possibility of idling restrictions was briefly discussed, but tabled for future discussion.

The next MHP meeting is scheduled for June 9th.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:38 PM.