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**Regional Recycling Task Force Meeting
Thursday December 6, 2012, 10:30 a.m.
Brookfield Town Hall
Second Floor Conference Room**

MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. Those present included, B. Sullivan (BE), T. Tibolla (BK), S. VonHolt (NM), D. DeMuth (BE/BOE), E. Rossini (RI), A. Cordano (RI), J. Iannucci (HRRRA), C. Reedy (HRRRA) and guest E. Fredericksen (All American Waste), P. Tocco (DA Restore) E. Lehman (DA Restore)

Approval of Minutes

Motion by S. Von Holt, second by D. DeMuth, to approve the minutes of November 8, 2012 as presented.

Vote: All in favor, 2 abstained L. Kulowiec and E. Rossini

Poster Contest Forms

J. Iannucci passed out contest forms for individual towns. The coordinator with the highest increased participation will win a \$150 Amex Gift Card. This year's contest is starting off early giving teachers a chance to introduce the contest before the holiday break. The forms are on the home page of the HRRRA website along with information on the 2013 theme SMART. The 2013 poster contest sponsors are once again, Union Savings Bank, Winters Brothers, All American Waste and Wheelabrator.

Municipal Recycling Goals review 2012 and set 2013 goals

C. Reedy facilitated review of the individual municipal goal attainment for 2011-12. The discussion will continue at the January meeting with goals for 2013. C. Reedy requested that each town send their 2013 goals via email or bring them to the January meeting.

Town of Ridgefield Highway Dept. Goals met for 2011-2012 as reported by E. Rossini and A. Cordano

- Updated town website links and recycling links
- Recycling Center:
 - Created single-stream zone
 - Created large Single Stream banner
 - Increased promotion in newspaper
 - Meet and greet with coffee/donut days to introduce system
- Installed Litterless Lunch programs in all elementary schools.
- Added an ink cartridge recycling tote

Town of New Milford, Goals met for 2011-2012 as reported by S. Von Holt

- Developed a recycling program for town and school maintenance facilities employees.
- All Town employees now make double sided copies when able.

Danbury Restore

Paul Tocco from the Danbury Restore gave a presentation. They accept appliances, building supplies, furniture, household goods, windows and doors, antique and collectibles as well as kitchen cabinets and counters. They will pick up items for a minimal fee, \$10 within Danbury, \$15 outside Danbury. The sale of these items benefits the Housatonic Habitat for Humanity, which builds affordable housing for working families. Merchandise donated is sold to the public at discounted prices to raise funds needed to build homes. They are located at 51 Austin Street in Danbury off White Street. Currently they are building 5 homes in the Danbury area. There are 800 Restore locations throughout the United States. At present the Danbury Habitat is not self sustaining and must rely on monetary donations to cover part of its overhead costs. The ReStore is a mechanism by which Danbury Habitat hopes to become self-sustaining for overhead so that 100% of donations can be put toward building homes.

Items to be Raised by Members

C. Reedy mentioned that there will be a collection of small and large TVs for Storm Sandy victims. Information will be sent out via email. L. Kulowiec passed out information on a covering system for rolloffs he found to meet DEEP transfer station permit requirements.

Adjournment

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 11:50a.m.