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**Regional Recycling Task Force Meeting
Thursday April 3, 2014, 10:30 a.m.
Brookfield Town Hall
Second Floor Conference Room**

MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:36 a.m. Those present included, L. Kulowiec (RE), T. Tibolla (BK), P. Prunty (DA), A. Miles (NE), D. Demuth (BE), E. Rossini (RI), A. Cordano (RI), J. Barnell-Drescher (Winters), R. Bingham (Winters), P. Oberg (All American), J. Iannucci (HRRRA) and C. Reedy (HRRRA)

Approval of Minutes

Motion by C. Reedy second by T. Tibolla, to approve the minutes of March 13, 2014 as presented. Vote: All in favor

Municipal Annual Recycling Goals for 2014

Town of Brookfield Goals for 2014 as reported by T. Tibolla

- Continuously check Town's website links for any changing information about the various guidelines available to residents for single stream recycling and e-waste collection at the New Milford Transfer Station.
- Make sure the Town's webpage includes a separate exclusive listing to promote Household Hazardous Waste Day Collection on the opening page once a date is available.
- Continue random email blasts to all Town Employees about the efforts to put more of the acceptable single stream items into the appropriate containers provided at various buildings.
- Continue to coordinate with the Board of Education about passing along any information shared at the meetings about incentives available to schools for different recycling initiatives.
- Explore the possibility about setting up a collection program for textile waste sponsored by Bay State Textile Inc.

Municipal reports on NewTech

Most RRTF members shared positive feedback regarding their experience with NewTech. Redding and Ridgefield both expressed concern about not having enough CFL boxes.

C. Reedy told the Task Force that NewTech will pick-up directly at schools and other municipal buildings if needed. Call ahead to schedule the pick-up.

Battery and Carpet update

C. Reedy shared information regarding the dialogue on Battery EPR. There will be a two day workshop on June 11-12 in Hartford at DEEP headquarters. The Carpet dialogue will take place at DEEP headquarters as well, May 14-15.

Organics Ribbon Cutting April 4th

J. Iannucci shared the success of the Ribbon Cutting in Bridgewater on April 4th. The Deputy Commissioner of DEEP, Macky McCleary was present. There was great representation from the HRRRA Authority as well as the RRTF. Several Newspapers published articles about the event.

Video Contest

This year's video contest will begin in June and run until October. The theme will be Organics and Composting. J. Iannucci will get information to Task Force Members at the June meeting to be distributed to the schools.

Bin Lending Season

J. Iannucci reminded members it is time again for Bin Lending. There will be a review on how the Google calendar works at the May meeting.

Poster Contest Ceremony April 23rd

The Poster Contest Ceremony is set for April 23rd. J. Iannucci announced that Newtown had the highest percentage increase in participation than any other town, followed by Danbury. Arlene Miles received an Amazon Gift Certificate for her great efforts.

Items to be raised by members

C. Reedy noted that there would be a Let's Talk Trash Municipality Listening Session with Deputy Commissioner Macky McCleary on Tuesday, April 22nd, at the Science Building at WCSU. She asked members to consider attending to have a good showing for the Deputy Commissioner.

Adjournment

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 11:37 a.m.