

Regional Recycling Task Force Meeting Thursday, January 13, 2022, 10:30 a.m. Via Zoom

MINUTES

In Attendance

J. Baum called the meeting to order via zoom at 10:30 a.m. In attendance were P. Drake (BE), K. Galbis (BE), A. Dinho (BW), J. Barney (DA), R. Osborne (KE), J. Kearns (KE), A. Miles (NE), S. Von Holt (NM), J. Nabors (RX), P. Palmer (RE), R. Byrnes (SH), J. Fascitelli (WI) A. Regan (All American Waste), P. Oberg (All American Waste), J. Heaton-Jones, HRRA and J. Baum, HRRA.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by P. Palmer, second by A. Dinho to approve minutes of December 9, 2021, as presented with one correction. **Vote:** All in favor

Recycling Billboard Contest Update

The poster templates are ready for pickup. Contest coordinators should contact J. Baum to arrange pickup. J. Baum reviewed the contest deadline dates.

A meeting invite will be sent out to contest coordinators to review the contest details.

Miniatures

J. Baum reviewed the 5-cent surcharge to the to the sale of all miniatures.

- The 5-cents being applied to the miniatures is a surcharge and not a tax.
- The payments will be distributed to municipalities in April 2022 and every 6 months thereafter.
- The payments will be distributed from WSI, not the State of Connecticut.
- Details were discussed at the December HRRA Full Authority meeting and further discussion will take place at the February Full Authority meeting.

Action Item: J. Baum to email link for miniature liquor bottle sales by town

Goals for 2022

- J. Fascitelli expressed interest in the mattress program, shredded paper toter, and composting programs for the Town of Wilton
- A. Miles stated the Town of Newtown is evaluating the curbside recycling program.
- R. Byrnes shared the Town of Sherman is looking to bring on a volunteer to assist with recycling initiatives
- P. Palmer expressed interest in a shredded paper toter for the Town of Redding
- S. Von Holt expressed interest in a food scraps recycling program for the Town of New Milford

2022 Schedule

The RRTF 2022 schedule will continue meeting on the 2nd Thursday of every month at 10:30 am. The schedule will be posted to the website.

Items to be raised by members

R. Osborne inquired about the details of initiating a food scraps program.

J. Heaton-Jones summarized the established programs and how the programs were started and maintained.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Motion by A. Dinho, second by S. Von Holt to adjourn the meeting. **Vote:** All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 am.