



Regional Recycling Task Force Meeting
Thursday, March 21, 2024
10:00 a.m.

Brookfield Town Hall
100 Pocono Road, Brookfield, CT 06804
Room 133

MINUTES

In Attendance

J. Baum called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. In attendance were K. Galbis (BE), K. Hebert (BE), A. Dinho (BW), S. Conn (BK), D. Ongaro (BK), F. Capodilupo (DA), J. Kearns (KE), R. Osborne (KE), S. Von Holt (NM), A. Miles (NE), T. Carlson (RI), S. Sajda (RE), J. Patterson (RX), R. Byrnes (SH), S. Barry (Oak Ridge), Z. Kmietek (Oak Ridge), J. Heaton-Jones (HRRRA), and J. Baum (HRRRA).

Approval of Minutes

Motion by T. Carlson, second by A. Dinho to approve the minutes of February 8, 2024, as presented.

Vote: All in favor.

Take 2 – Guest Speaker on Electronic Waste

Camila Sosa, Take 2, shared a presentation on electronic waste collection, including materials accepted, what happens to the materials, security of data.

CT Recyclers Coalition (CRC) – Recycling Education Sessions

The CRC is hosting a Recycling Education Webinar Series.

The fee per session is \$30 for non-members and free to members. Those who would like to become a member of the CRC, can register online at ctrecyclers.com/plans-pricing.

The membership fee is \$125 for Government/Non-Profit groups, \$100 for individual memberships, and \$25 for students/seniors.

To register for the Recycling Education Webinars, visit ct.recyclers.com.

The Recycling Education Webinar schedule is as follows:

March 27th – Plastics

April 10th – Paper/Fibers

April 24th – Glass & Metal

May 8th - Contamination and hard to manage material (batteries, gas cylinders, plastic film etc.)

May 22nd – Organics

Food Waste Prevention Week – April 1st-April 7th.

Food Waste Prevention Week is an opportunity to share information with your community regarding ideas on how to prevent food waste, promote local food scraps recycling programs, and share information on food rescue programs.

HRRRA will create and share social media posts with HRRRA member towns.

The [USDA Foodkeeper app](#) is a free app that can be downloaded on a phone and enables searching a variety of foods to see how long they are safe to consume.

Earth Day – Monday, April 22, 2024 – HRRRA Support

J. Baum announced the HRRRA will provide gloves, vests, trash bags, and maps for municipalities that are hosting street clean-up events. Please submit requests to the HRRRA by March 31, 2024.

Items to be raised by members

J. Heaton-Jones invited municipalities hosting litter clean-up events to separate the miniatures (also known as nips) that are collected from the sides of the streets, photograph them, and send pictures to the HRRRA for the purpose of collecting data.

Adjournment

Motion by A. Dinho second by A. Miles to adjourn the meeting. **Vote:** All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m.