



Regional Recycling Task Force Meeting
Thursday, May 16, 2024
10:30 a.m.

Urban Mining CT Facility - Tour
105 Breault Road, Suite A
Beacon Falls, CT 06403
10:30-12:00

Sitting Duck Tavern – Meeting
360 Center Rock Green, Oxford

**Each person responsible for their lunch payment*

MINUTES

In Attendance

J. Baum called the meeting to order at 12:32 p.m. In attendance were D. Ongaro (BK), P. Silva (RE), S. Sajda (RE), J. Patterson (RX), S. Stauffacher (RX), J. Heaton-Jones (HRRR), T. Thornton (HRRR), A. Ragland (HRRR), and J. Baum (HRRR).

Approval of Minutes

Motion by P. Silva, second by S. Stauffacher to approve the minutes of April 11, 2024, as presented.
Vote: All in favor.

Review and discuss Urban Mining Tour

RRTF members and volunteers shared feedback on the tour of the Urban Mining Facility. Topics of discussion included glass contamination, MRF glass, and municipal projects constructed with Pozzotive.

Recycling Billboard Contest

J. Baum shared that the Recycling Billboard Contest awards ceremony was a successful event with approximately 200 attendees. The four grand prize winners have their artwork displayed on 20 HARTransit buses running throughout the region. HRRR staff expressed gratitude for the support for the Billboard Contest coordinators.

Repair Café – Update

P. Silva and HRRR staff attended a meeting with Principal Durkin at Henry Abbott Technical School to discuss a potential Repair Café during the 2024-2025 school year. Mr. Durkin will share the information with school staff.

Bridgewater Fair volunteers

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J. Heaton-Jones asked for volunteers to help staff the potential HRRR booth at the Bridgewater Country Fair on August 16-18, 2024.

Municipal Recycling Program Updates from Recycling Coordinator/Representative

P. Silva shared the Town of Redding hosted a successful shred event on May 8th with 87 cars. The next event will be held in fall 2024.

J. Patterson and S. Stauffacher shared the Town of Roxbury had a successful litter clean-up for Earth Day - residents completed 99% of the map that listed streets to clean.

T. Thornton shared Wilton Go Green and Fairfield Bank are hosting a shred day on May 18th and Wilton Go Green is hosting a Repair Café on May 18th.

Items to be raised by members

J. Patterson asked which types of batteries are able to go in the electronic waste containers at the transfer station. J. Heaton-Jones confirmed that all batteries should go to electronic waste.

Adjournment

Motion by T. Thornton second by J. Patterson to adjourn the meeting. **Vote:** All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 1:18 p.m.