

December 19, 2019 Meeting Agenda
ARSWC August 2019 Meeting Minutes

Present:

Katie Smith, Ros Arienti, Bill Nickerson, Jon Biehler John Hinds, Paul Schlein, Roz McLean

Start time: 5:30

End time: 7:15

Approve November minute - done

Town Notice

- Prepare to go out on Sunday, December 22nd
- To include:
 - 2020 Pickup Schedule – ready
 - Reminder about recycling during the holiday season
 - String lights – recycled in shed
 - Trees – use in your yard for a bird habitat
 - Wrapping paper – last year was a no. Need to check into this
 - Ribbons and Bows
 - Plastic Film Flyer link (see attached draft of new flyer) – needs to be proofed
 - John Hinds brought question about coffee bags can they be recycled?

Visit to Repair Cafe; please see link with photos and information:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1nf20sJi_97DXkZwrtOAbzmqw5SFXKOHR?usp=sharing

- Next steps:
 - Need to research insurance and liability. Paul and Jon will prepare proposal for the town (Paul's summary – great resource to put it together)
 - Could start with simple safe repairs such as sewing, jewelry, bicycles, furniture etc.
 - Does it need to be town sanctioned?
 - Locations
 - Pairing up with other towns
 - One of the lead “fixers” at Belfast offered to share the information on the Repair Café with the committee

In lieu of Repair Café, create a list of area businesses that do repairs etc.

Megan and Elena from DEP

Possible date for visit Thursday, February 20.

Questions for them regarding starting zero waste initiative for a town of this size

Review zero waste e-mail from Paul

Discuss Repair Cafe ideas with them

Painting the Shed update

On the list!

Katie will ask Malcolm to keep her in the loop

Need to look at the door and whether it needs to be repaired or replaced (if replaced, having a spring to keep it closed) Needs current mechanism to keep it held open

Ecomaine Information

- Jon's conversation with Alison Kepler
There were some contamination charges. Jon to find out how much the town was fined
Riverside haulers tried to figure out what part of town is involved
Ecomaine came up to do some presentations
- Communication with Lissa Bitterman
Katie's sent e-mail December 10th and has not gotten any response Katie will try again

Dumping concerns

Washing machine left at the end of Bald Head Road

Random people put their trash at the end of Stonetree Road that don't live there

Not a new problem – needs to be dealt with case by case. Not sure how to enforce not dumping in town

Maine's 200th Anniversary party in March. How can we help?

Committees to get involved

ARSWC –

- Three sets of disposal – trash, recycling, compost
- Opportunity to educate
- Bring your own plate, cups etc.

Shed update

Cleaned out – lots of room for storage

Bill from North Coast \$15 (electronics)

Resident calls

Handing out stickers

Referring people to website

Compostable produce bags

Trader Joes said they were made out of maple and corn

Manufactured Mater By Novamount with plant material Mater-Bi

Minutes Format

In the future minutes will be formatted to underline your name if you have a job

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 16 at 5:30