

Solid Waste and Recycling Committee  
October 16, 2019 Meeting  
The meeting opened at 7:30 a.m.

Present were: Wendy Carr – Chair; Ray Emerson, Debby Wheelock, Tammy Willey, Otty Merrill, Jane Bracy, Kate Johanson, Tim Polky, Jan Limmen

Minutes for the August meeting were approved.

Transfer station issues discussed were: The need for more space for returnable bottles in the bottle room was discussed. It is crowded in that room. Possibly a note in the town newsletter would be good to remind citizens that asking Alisa if she wants to take items for the shop is the protocol, not to drop off items in the area near the shop door. Another note for the newsletter that the transfer station always accepts what is known as e-waste, meaning TV sets, computer monitors, etc.

Compost sales went very well this year. There is now screened compost tested and ready to sell, and there will be more ready in the spring. \$40/yard, \$10 delivery fee.

Paint recycling is going well. We accept paint, and a recycler comes to pick it up.

Clothing recycling has been a success; it is picked up by a company that repurposes it, and it stays in the U.S.

The recycling rate is around 35 to 40%.

The idea of a paper shredding event for next spring was discussed and agreed upon. Wendy will reserve a date.

We will order a supply of new bags for citizens to use for recycling. We are all out of the bags we bought a couple years ago.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00.

Next meeting is Wednesday, November 20.