

**Resource Recovery Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, February 23, 2017  
Immediately Following the Board of Selectmen Meeting  
Clifford B. Green Memorial Center**

**Present:** Richard Ives, Joe Voccio, Bob Benson and Melissa Bradley; Recording Secretary  
**Absent with Notice:** Bob Kelleher and Bob Lee

**Also Present:** David Fuss, Aaron Kerouack, WINY Radio and Fran from the Bulletin

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Ives called the meeting to order at 7:16pm.
2. **Approve Previous Minutes:** Bob Benson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of 12/29/2016 as presented. Joe Voccio seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Discussion on Financial Reports:** Expenses are on track. Revenues are off slightly but then this is a slow time of year, they are expected to pick up in the Spring.
5. **Discussion on Household Hazardous Waste Day:** No update for hazardous waste day. Earth day last year fell on little league opening day and Mr. Ives proposes to move the event to Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> in hopes of more participation. The board agrees. David Fuss volunteers to go around Town and pick up garbage collected. Mr. Ives will check to make sure this would not take away from union work. It is suggested to have more help at the transfer station for bulky waste drop off.
6. **Report from Landfill Attendant:** Nothing to report.
7. **Discussion with Bob Bond regarding Compost Collection:** Mr. Bond, owner of Green Valley packaging, presents a composting program for the Town. Currently 20% of waste is food waste. This program would allow residents to purchase compostable bags and bring the waste to the transfer station. There is a waste station in Ellington where delivery would have to be arranged. Another option would be to store the waste at the transfer station and sell it to residents. Mr. Bond suggests starting with the Schools to get kids involved. The board agrees to discuss this further. Mr. Fuss thinks it is a great idea and suggests starting out small to see how much participation there would be.

**8. Other Business:** None

**9. Public Comment:** Aaron Kerouack states Schools are huge for food waste and that may be a good place to start the composting program.

Previous discussion on collection bins in Town lead to possibly only allowing them at the transfer station. Mr. Kerouack questions if there is enough space and would there be a limit? Mr. Ives states there would be a limit, eight would be the maximum for space allowance.

**10. Adjourn:** Bob Benson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joe Voccio seconded the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted;

Melissa J. Bradley  
Recording Secretary