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June 16, 2022

1. Bring Meeting to Order: Meeting brought to order at 7:09 p.m.
2. Board Members & Alternates Present:

Michael Berry (Thorndike) Don Pendleton (ALT Dixmont)

Diana Hauser (Unity) Greg Falzetta (ALT Thorndike)

Kip Penney (Knox) Phil Bloomstein (Freedom)

Eli MacMakin (ALT Freedom) Jenny Tibbetts (Jackson)

Sharon Hibbard (ALT Montville) Jeff Reynolds (UARRC Manager)

3. Board Members & Alternates Absent:

Paige Ziegler (Montville) Beth Soucie (Unity)

Robert Hogg (Troy) Ross Nason (Dixmont)

4. Approve May’s Minutes:

Motion to Accept, Seconded, Approved

5. Agenda Adjustments:

Jenny would like information so as to meet with Jackson Selectmen who have

questions about the recycling program.

Motion to Accept, Seconded, Approved

6. Manager’s Report:

Since the May Board Meeting, the Center has seen 609 customers, with 379 since

the first of the month. That 609 number is in 17 working days, which works out

to 35.7 customers per day.

On June 13th, a load of electronics was shipped

On June 15th, a load of mixed paper and OCC was shipped

25,500 lbs. mixed paper & 17,500 lbs. of OCC

A yearly audit is scheduled for next week

The new door to the warehouse has been installed in the warehouse next to the phase

converter room

Waiting on Ross’s availability so Ross, Jeff & Greg can look at a proposed baler

waiting to remove freon by MRA on accumulated white goods

7. Treasurer’s Report:

a Budget vs. Actual printout

Our (UARRC) fiscal year began April 1st. Sales credits (to towns) follow the

calendar year as opposed to our budget year that begins April1

8. Paige - to talk about the Scrap Dogs Program:

Since Paige is absent, Diana read from a Village Soup article that mentioned this program. It is an interesting composting program that originated in the mid

coast area. More info can be accumulated and talked about.

9. Common Ground Fair Update:

Diana visited MOFGA and inquired about a booth/table at this year’s Fair (in September)

While there is no space available in the Environmental Concerns Area, there is

a possibility of space at the Compost & Recycling Area.

We do need a pop-up tent and Don said there should be one available to use

Diana will keep the Board updated.

Phil is hoping to set up a ROTA document/file so as to pencil in times for interested

volunteers

10. Some Strategic Plan info was discussed, but Greg hadn’t received much feedback from

Board Members.

It was decided that a ‘special’ meeting time when all that would be discussed would be Strategic Plan info. To be an inclusive document, Greg needs

more input, thoughts, ideas

Staffing is a component of Strategic Planning

4 main components are Facility / Staff / Budget / Regulatory requirements

Comments included: Should the new EPR Law be part of our Strategic Plan? Not

at this time. It will be a very slow process.

Kip mentioned more publicity about taking clothing/textiles

More educational opportunities were mentioned

Should a Committee be formed to deal with Planning? Good idea but probably not as workable as the entire Board taking part.

11. Jenny’s Questions (an Agenda Adjustment):

Basic questions & Answers about credits for the towns

12. Executive Session:

Motion was Made to Accept, Seconded, Approved

Began 8:41 p.m. Ended 9:32 p.m. No notes taken

13. Wrap Up and Assignments:

Phil will share a document concerning tasks that Michael performs

Greg will share a document re: a manager’s duties & qualifications

14. Adjournment:

a Motion to Accept, Seconded, Approved to adjourn at 9:35 p.m.

15. Minutes Submitted:

Diana Hauser (Unity) UARRC Secretary