

Unity Area Recycling Center

95 Leonard Road  
Thorndike, Maine 04986  
email: [uarrc@uninets.net](mailto:uarrc@uninets.net)

Phone: 207-568-3117  
Fax: 207-568-3319

---

**August 19, 2021**

1. Bring Meeting to order: Meeting brought to order at 7:03 p.m.
2. Board Members & Alternates Present:

Paige Ziegler (Montville)	Beth Soucie (Unity)
Diana Hauser (Unity)	Jeff Reynolds (Manager)
Phil Bloomstein (Freedom)	Ross Nason (Dixmont)
Michael Berry (Thorndike)	Greg Falzetta (ALT Thorndike)
Sharon Hibbard (ALT Montville)	George Faulkner (Jackson)
Kip Penney (Knox)	Don Pendleton (ALT Dixmont)

Board Members & Alternates Absent:

Robert Hogg (Troy)

note: Phil Bloomstein & Don Pendleton left meeting early

3. Agenda Adjustments:

Phil asked for an early discussion of his use of ZOOM program in regards to a non-profit group/committee he is on.

Motion to accept, Seconded, Approved with the stipulation that the Board be notified of its use.

Kip asked for a return to in-person meetings, instead of Zoom

4. Approve July's Minutes:

Secretary was asked to remove a personal comment (excellent report) from Item #5

Motion to accept, Seconded, Approved

\*July's minutes were amended and filed

5. Manager's Report:

glass crusher was discussed. Discussion focused on use - Are we overusing? Is it designed for less use? 2 failures so far as to the 'plate'

Ross made comment that this is a pilot program paid for by a grant, not uarrc funds, an experiment

according to company in New Zealand, the new plate (ordered) is stronger

new issue of office roof leaking

6. Chairperson's Report:

Paige has discussed our presence at the Common Ground Fair with MOFGA. They want us to be there. More discussions as to what our presence will look like - display? table?

Paige will get back to us. Volunteers are interested

some interest from a M.I.T. Lab in crushed glass at 1.10 per pound.

a legislative update from Paige - He would like to see more info on the recycling bill

Talking points have been sent out to towns and recycling centers

7. Other Reports:

Treasurer Michael Berry sent out a report

Personnel Committee - working on evaluation form. Meeting August 31 at the Center

Safety Committee - certain forms have been filled out and signed off on

Strategic Plan - Greg's comments: a steel project depends on certain budget funding (last grant did not go ahead because of lack of monies) involves earth work, concrete pads, fencing, licenses needed, markets needed

Ross commented on a Phase II for glass. The market is not fluid enough at present but will probably change

Zoom Account - this topic was addressed earlier as Phil had to leave (see Agenda Adjustments)

8. Discussion of in-person meetings:

This discussion was tabled because of new covid outbreaks

9. News:

Auditor coming (end of August)

10. Assignments:

MOFGA 'Team' will communicate by phone & email (setup for Common Ground Fair)

Personnel Committee will meet the end of August; formulating evaluation tools

11. Adjournment:

Motion to accept, Seconded, Approved to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

12. Minutes Submitted: Diana Hauser (Unity) UARRC Secretary