

**WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP RECYCLING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTE
VIA ZOOM
AUGUST 11, 2020 AT 7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the Willistown Township Recycling Commission came to order at 7:03 pm.

Members present: Molly Perrin, Bruce Hartlein, Don Knapik, Karl Malessa ,Ken Lehr
Township Staff: Jennifer Jacobs

Announcements

None

Old Business

- Molly reported that Township, via Manager Sally Slook, cancelled all of the Fall recycling events. Molly asked Jennifer for more detail. Jennifer said that Sally learned through her contacts with other townships, that these type of events have caused illness with to public works employees. She said Sally was willing to listen to a more detailed plan from us. Molly suggested shredding only and possibly E-waste without collecting the metals so no public works people would be involved. Molly asked for feedback...Karl agreed with Sally and thinks we should cancel all the fall events. Bruce and Don agreed with Karl. Karl pointed out that Rapid Recycle had been purchased and regardless are not doing events do to COVID, so probably couldn't get them as a vendor this fall anyway.
- Bruce suggested that we replace the events with info on helping people to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Jennifer, who runs social media for the Township, said to provide her with the content and she will handle the communication.

New Business

- Resident Zachary Leahan, who attended the last meeting, joined the Zoom call and asked if he could share his screen. He then provided a review of the various "where to recycle" websites, including PADEP Recycle Search, Recycle Coach, Chester County SWA and others, concluding that most are not local enough and they are not updated frequently enough to be useful. He showed an app that he had written and suggested that be put up on the Township website and updated by the Commission members as needed. Jennifer said she would need to run that by Sally and the Board.
- Jennifer also suggested retrieve mainly for clothing and ewaste (they charge a fee for some items).
- For now, we will try to provide Jen with content for social media for Reducing, Reusing and Recycling.
- Molly suggested that we get a one page list from each hauler of what they will recycle. We all agreed, but also agreed that will not be easy because haulers are hard to pin down for specific info.

Citizen's Comments

Zachary Leahan was the only citizen present and he ask specifically if anyone knew how to recycle firearms and ammo. Several suggestions were made including gun clubs and the police department.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Recycling Commission will be held on September 8, 2020 at 7:00pm at a location to be determined.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Hartlein, Secretary