

# Recycling Committee Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2014

Attendees: Karl Malessa and Jim Tate

## I. Update of Township's Recycling Ordinance

This long-ongoing project was worked on by JT over the past month. In the Fall of 2013, JT stated he'd just pick up London Grove Township's ordinance; however, upon analyzing it closely, it was determined that updates to LG's ordinance had not been made for several years. Once JT began inserting them in London Grove's wording, it became obvious that most sections would need to be revised or eliminated. The current status is that the Definitions section is done and ready for typing and formatting by Willistown Administration. Piece of cake! Meanwhile, other sections will be revised and prepared for typing and formatting.

## II. HOAs

The Recycling Committee, or one of its Recycling Ambassadors, would like to meet with each of the HOAs at an HOA meeting to explain the requirements of residents to recycle, what to recycle, selection of vendors, etc. By way of these minutes, we are requesting a current list for each of the following from Dave Burman, Township Manager:

Name of HOA

Name of HOA management firm, if HOA uses one

President's name, address, e-mail address and phone number

Name, address, e-mail address, main contact person and phone number of an HOA management firm

## III. A.J. Blosenski (AJB)

JT will contact AJB to discuss progress on a dual-purpose trash/recycling container. This had been explored somewhat by AJB in 2013. Time to revisit.

## IV. Coat Collection – Nov/Dec, 2013

Another success: 470 coats. An interesting sidebar: A state representative tried to hijack one of our collection boxes and, of course, our long-utilized location, by placing a sign over our (Willistown) box describing it as his coat collection program! Shouts of "Burn him at the stake" corrected the problem toot sweet.

## V. Township's Website

A goal during the first half of 2014 is to place a complete list of items that can be recycled—and many of those that cannot—on the Township's website. After much intense analysis and debate, KM and JT took a vote on a motion to have recycling committee member, Mark Bem, prepare such a list even though he was in absentia, or maybe because he was in absentia, and it was unanimous. Go figure.

VI. Towne Crier Articles

JT indicated there would be a number of articles about recycling in the first issue of the Towne Crier of 2014. The annual drop-off event will be held at 688 on April 12<sup>th</sup>.

VII. Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs)

CRTs in older TVs and computers are becoming the pariahs of recycling in that the leaded glass in these "boat anchor TVs/computers," as they are sometimes referred to, is of little-to-no value. Prior to the introduction of newer, flat/thin, monitors/screens, recycling companies recycled glass with lead in it by selling it to manufacturers that made screens/monitors with lead in them. In other words, the recycled leaded glass was used to make new leaded glass used in TVs and computers. Because that business is drying up, there is now a cost to recycle TVs and computers that utilize CRTs. We will deal with this situation; we have to.

VIII. New Business/Old Business - None

IX. Next Meeting

February 11<sup>th</sup>, 40 Lloyd, 7:00PM

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Chairman  
Willistown Recycling Committee

cc: Ken Lehr, Brain St. Clair, Mark Bem, Karl Malessa & Jim Tate, D.Burman, C.Brown