## Willistown Township Recycling Commission Meeting Minutes – March 8, 2016 Attendance: Mark Bem, Molly Perrin & Jim Tate

- I. Minutes of 1/19/16 meeting were approved.
- II. Old Business
- Discussed a system for tracking computer and TV monitors, and items containing Freon at April 30<sup>th</sup> Willistown Drop-off event. Molly Perrin will develop adhesive labels for review at April meeting.
- 2. Ordinance revise continues.
- 3. A list of recyclables at curbside was sent to township administration for posting on the township's website. JT will follow up.
- 4. Several articles about upcoming recycling events were sent to township administration for use in an omnibus events recycling mailer to residents.
- 5. Prescription drop box has been approved by the township's police chief. It will be set up in the police building as soon as it arrives. It will be available five days a week from 9AM to 4PM.
- 6. 280lbs of video- audio-tapes and DVDs and CDs were packed and shipped on March 4<sup>th</sup>. Box is now 90% empty. Usually, not for long!
- III. New Business
- Recycling, actually even disposal, of computer and TV monitors has become almost impossible
  due to the previously mentioned disagreement between manufacturers, the state and recycling
  vendors over reimbursement by manufacturers to vendors. This conflict has been aggravated
  by a decline in the need for leaded glass from old computer and TV monitors, which had been
  used in the manufacture of new computer and TV monitors with leaded glass. Leaded glass is
  no longer used in monitors.
- 2. Willistown will be one of a few municipalities in the southeastern Pennsylvania area this spring offering to collect both computer AND TV monitors and sending them to a recycling facility. Residents are beginning to find out how difficult it is to recycle monitors as per phone calls to JT from residents seeking help. How soon the recycling-of-computer-and-TV-monitors' problem will be solved by PA legislators is unknown. They have to write and pass a new bill for the recycling of consumer electronics.
- IV. Next Meeting: April 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM, 688 bldg.

Jim Tate Chairman Recycling Commission