

WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP RECYCLING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
688 SUGARTOWN ROAD, MALVERN, PA
MAY 8, 2018 AT 7:30 PM

The regular meeting of the Willistown Township Recycling Commission came to order at 7:37 pm.

Members present: Molly Perrin, Bruce Hartlein, Mark Bem, Susan Vogel

Old Business

- Molly reported that Susan Vogel was officially appointed to the Commission at the last Supervisor meeting (per Dave Burman).
- We reviewed the recent events:
 - All were successful and well attended. Weather was good for all three.
 - Residents were generally appreciative.
 - Discussed possibility of a different venue since traffic backup onto Sugartown is dangerous. St Francis church may be able to handle shredding event (has done so in past). Chipping and eWaste/drop off more problematic. Sugartown school was mentioned. Molly to discuss with Dave.
 - Other thoughts: provide directional signage and informational signage and/or otherwise take advantage of captive audience to promote our mission. Also, cut down hours...end at noon and remind residents not to show up so early...
- Reviewed numbers for the events: shredding truck was filled by 12:30—Mark thought it was 7,500 lbs. Drop-off cost \$13,940 and included the collection of 338 CRT/monitors and a 13 projection screens. No data on chipping.
- Educational excursions have not been scheduled yet. Molly will arrange sometime this summer.

New Business

- Jim Tate was not able to attend the meeting, but provided an update on the revised ordinance. See detail below.
- Susan Vogel volunteered to handle the 2017 904 Grant Application and will reach out to Jim T for advice.
- Bruce discussed current events, namely that China banned the imports of 24 varieties of solid waste, including certain types of plastic and unsorted paper. This has been a huge wake-up call for the US and other countries that relied on China to handle much of their trash.

Citizen's Comments

None.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Recycling Commission will be held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 7:00 pm at 688 Sugartown Road. There will be no meetings in June or July.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Hartlein, Secretary

Jim Tate Update on Revised Ordinance:

The draft of a revised recycling ordinance developed by SCS Engineers was submitted to PADEP and me. Mary Alice Reisse, the person who will be the one to sign off on the ordinance, wanted to give the draft a review and make comments before SCS and I worked on the draft. Because her comments/questions were so extensive and the ordinance is such a sizeable document, I decided to review the draft in two phases: one without factoring in her comments and a second against her comments/questions. Once I'm done phase one, SCS and I will review the revisions and resolve any issues that I developed. Phase two will be to evaluate our document to determine how it stands up to Mary Alice's revisions. Undoubtedly, we'll have to make some revisions and we already know we will also question some of Mary Alice's revisions.

Let's assume that we come to some wording that is acceptable to her. At that point, I will provide the agreed-upon ordinance and provide it to all members of the Recy Comm. No doubt, someone on the commission will have some worthy requests for change. They will be made. The document will then go back to Mary Alice for her "almost final" review and, hopefully, her preliminary approval. Again, there might be some minor changes by Mary Alice. They will be made and a new document will be provided to members of the Recy Comm. (We're not done, yet!) This version of the ordinance will then have to be approved by Willistown's solicitor. Assuming there will be some changes by him that will have to be made, the ordinance will have to go through Mary Alice again. (We're almost there!) Mary Alice, the solicitor, SCS and I will then have to convene to hammer out a final ordinance that can be submitted to PADEP.

As for where I am with my review, I have completed two of the four sections and begun working on the third. I'm aiming to finish sections three and four this month and move the ball into SCS Engineers' court, so to speak.