

**Middletown Resource Recycling Advisory Commission**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**November 10, 2014**

***Members present: Krishna Winston, Monica Belyea, Debbie Stanley, Jennifer Weymouth, Rebecca MacLachlan***

***Others Present: Darrell Gagnon, Kim O'Rourke, Recycling Coordinator***

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Minutes from the September meeting were accepted with the correct spelling of Darrell Gagnon's name.

Ms. O'Rourke reported that Christmas lights were going to be collected at the recycling center November – January. Plastic Gifts Card will also be collected for recycling at City Hall. A collection box will be available on the second floor of City Hall. She is also working on getting cooking oil at the recycling center. A building needs to be constructed first to keep it covered.

Ms. O'Rourke said she met with Baystate Textiles to discuss textile recycling. They are interested in putting clothing bins on municipal properties and paying \$100/ton for recycling. Ms. O'Rourke said she approached the schools about having bins at all the schools, but hasn't heard back yet. Members said it would also be nice to have a bin at City Hall, the Senior Center and the Library.

Ms. O'Rourke said Project Green Lawn is trying to get permission to do a pilot program with two fields. One would remain as it is, the other would be maintained with a structured natural turf program. PGI is waiting for pricing from Jerry Silbert and permission from the mayor.

The Sanitation District will be expanding its single stream pilot to the Bretton Road area.

Ms. Winston said that despite the rain showers, the hazardous waste collection was a great success. Cars were weaved throughout the parking lot and it was no problem keeping them off the street.

Members said they were disappointed with the lack of advertising for the medicine take back programs.

Ms. Winston said Dr. Silbert's presentation on Chemical Trespass was fabulous. She did wish more people attended.

Swap Shack

Nov 25 Darrell & Krishna

Nov. 29 Debbie

Dec. 5 Monica

Ms. O'Rourke said for Ct Recycles Day she was going to visit offices in City Hall and give water bottles to those how have "green" ideas for the City.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kim O'Rourke*

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