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Town of Gouldsboro Solid Waste Committee Meeting Minutes
June 22 , 2010

Members present: Mary Ann Higgins, Ray Jones, Janet Michaud, Becky O'Keefe, Jon Young

Members not present: Chuck Davis, Robert Hedger, Jerry Kron

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes from the March 1st meeting.

August 22 Shoreline cleanup

Caroline Morgan, Deputy Clerk from the town office, attended to discuss this year's clean up. Since low tide is at 4:30p.m. the cleanup will begin at 1:00. Chuck Haycock has volunteered to do roadside pickup, and the town will need to get approval from the state to pick up lobster traps that have washed up on shore. There will be a piece in the July newsletter informing people of the date and time and asking for volunteers. In addition, there may be a special insert in the August newsletter to include asking private property owners to let the town know if they object to giving access to the shorelines targeted for clean up. Other details including where the collected materials will be separated into trash and recyclables will be discussed at a further meeting.

November school recycling program

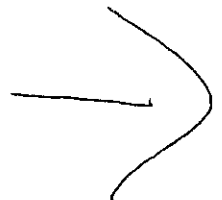
Becky said that this year's program will basically follow last year's curriculum.

The Solid Waste Committee's five year plan.

The committee was asked by the Town Manager to develop a five year plan for this committee by August 15th. Some of the issues and projects discussed including the following:

- Can we begin the process of reducing packaging waste by asking Gouldsboro businesses to use recyclable take out containers? Bar Harbor, for example, requires that all businesses use recyclable containers for take out. Our committee proposed having a meeting with the Schoodic Chamber of Commerce. Becky will check their meeting schedule.
- Should the committee consider asking for a reserve account for Solid Waste programs?
- This committee should consider gathering information for people in Gouldsboro on where various wastes not included in our curbside pick up or at the transfer station can be taken such as electronics, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, etc.
- Should there be oil depositories at the harbors?
- Are there creative ways to dispose of kitty litter?

The committee will discuss these ideas and other suggestions at the next meeting.



The committee then noted that our town has already realized a 30% reduction in the town's costs at PERC, and the amount of this year's income to the town for trash tags is approximately \$56,000 which is based on figures from the 2009/2010 fiscal year.

Coastal Recycling is reporting their cash and liquid assets amount to approximately \$114,500.

The current State Planning Office report for recycling shows Gouldsboro at a 7.56 rate, which needs to be adjusted based on actual figures from Coastal Recycling's annual report. The State Planning Office only reports on data from PERC.

The next meeting will be held at **6:00** p.m. on Monday, July 19th. Please note the time change from 7:00 to 6:00.

There being no other business. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Michaud, Secretary