

## Meeting Minutes

Cleaner Greener Hingham / Long Range Waste Disposal and Recycling Committee

Tuesday February 9th, 2021, 7:00 pm via Zoom

In attendance: Andy Ayer/Katie Gallacher/Janice McPhillips//Christine Nielsen/Alyson Anderson/David White/Maria Zade/Stephen Jiranek

Absent: Pete Stathopoulos/Katie Puzo/Randy Sylvester

### 1. Transfer Station (TS) Updates

No updates.

Chris asked Andy to speak to Randy to get accurate budget costs for the TS as it is not clear why the costs of trash disposal per pound have gone down over the last few years yet the overall costs of the TS have increased. **Action: Andy**

### 2. Campaigns Discussion

“Kiss the Ground” is a Netflix movie/documentary where “Activists, scientists, farmers and politicians turn to regenerative agriculture to save the planet’s topsoil”.

Andy suggested holding a virtual community event showing the film (possible date 13th March 2021) either via the Library or streamed through Sustainable Hingham/Hingham Hub Facebook (FB) pages. This could be a way to promote Earth Moving Machines for the Transfer Station (TS). **Action: Andy** to look into further details

### 3. Keep America Beautiful (KAB)

“A leading national nonprofit, Keep America Beautiful, inspires and educates people to take action every day to improve and beautify their community environment.”

Janice suggested that we could partner with this organization to promote local CGH events such as the clean up days that were held in 2018 & 2019 for Earth Day. **Action: Janice** to find the email with info about the KAB organization and forward to the committee

To hold another one of these community events we would need to find out any restrictions due to Covid **Action: Andy** to contact Sue Sarni (Board of Health BOH)

### 4. Subcommittee Updates

a. *Bylaw/Reg Review (David, Katie P, Maria)*

Pay As You Throw (PAYT) update - Janice contacted Hingham's Municipal Assistance Coordinator (MAC), Todd, who said that Wareham has a \$250/year curbside trash and recycling program via a private hauler, which could be an option for Hingham

*b. Community Outreach (Andy, Janice)*

Harbor Media have created a film about recycling. CGH committee could make a series of short films about trash pick up and other themes. **Action: Maria** to contact Harbor Media about doing a series of 'bumpers' to be shown on their cable channel and other media. **Action: Janice** to email a list of ideas to the committee for comment

Outstanding item - Janice and Andy to review the website. Map of the TS not on the CGH website. **Action: David** to update the TS map and send to Janice. **Action: Janice** will update the CGH website with the map

*c. Education (Andy, Chris)*

No update due to ongoing Covid pandemic

*d. Events (Chris, Katie P)*

See agenda item 2 above

*e. Refuse/Reuse (Alyson, Stucky)*

No update

5. Items not reasonably anticipated 48hrs in advance

- Annual Report - Andy to reach out the Town Hall to find out when Annual Report is due **Action: Andy**
- Climate Action Plan (CAP) - Maria reported that the CAP is going to be submitted as a Selectman's Article. The CAP committee will be made up of 10 members, one of whom will be a member of the CGH committee (town appointed not elected). Maria is happy to continue in her role as the CGH representative on the CAP committee.

6. Approval of Minutes from January 2021 meeting

Minutes approved.

Next meeting March 9th 2021 at 7pm

Respectfully submitted, Katie Gallacher