

**Minutes of the Shutesbury Recycling and Solid Waste Committee meeting  
March 31, 2015**

Present: Meryl Mandell (Chair), Nancy Dihlmann, Karen Czerwonka, Gail Fleischaker, Ron Essig, Gary Bernhard (Recycling Coordinator), Peg Ross (notetaker)

Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

Guests: none

1. Minutes of previous 9/17/2014 meeting were approved.
2. Review of trash bag distribution policy:
  - a. After discussion, the motion was made and voted to accept the current trash bag distribution policy as written. Town residents who do not pick up their bags during the scheduled distribution hours of May and June will receive 40 bags (instead of 50) beginning July 1. (The pro-ration period will begin on October 1.) Bags will not be distributed at Town Hall during May and June.
3. Review of Price List/Items for Bulky Waste Day June 6 2015.
  - a. Bulky rigid plastics, such as plastic lawn furniture and kids' toys, can now be recycled. "Bulky Rigid Plastics" will be the listed item. Republic Haulers will provide a separate roll-off container for this purpose.
  - b. Previous TV categories will now be combined into one TV item listing.
  - c. Clean white styrofoam packaging will also be recycled, free for town residents. A large bin will be provided by Gold Circuit E-cycling.
  - d. Microwaves are included in the "metals" recycling category.

Gail will make appropriate changes as discussed to the Price List for Disposal at Bulky Waste Day and post it on the town list-serve.

4. Community Roadside Pickup - Saturday, May 16, 2015
  - a. Susie Mosher and Sally Fairfield had talked with the committee previously about neighborhood roadside trash pick-up day. Republic Haulers was contacted by Gary and will provide a truck for central pick-up. This committee will provide yellow trash bags. A motion was made and voted to also provide up to \$50 for signage to advertise the event.
5. Illegal dumping.
  - a. Gary reported that he had received 3 complaints (2 for the same location), which he forwarded to Police Chief Tom Harding. Several committee members reported that they believe the issue at one location may have been resolved. Gary will follow up on both issues.

Meeting end time: 7:40 p.m.