

Recycling Ad Hoc Committee
Council Chamber, Newtown Municipal Center
3 Primrose Street, Newtown CT
Wednesday, February 2, 2022

Minutes

Present: First Selectman Dan Rosenthal, Maureen Crick Owen, Lisa Kessler, Steve Goodridge, Ryan Knapp, Laura Miller and Chris Gardner

Also Present: Public Works Director, Fred Hurley

Call to Order: First Selectman Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Voter Comment: None

New Business:

General Discussion: Ryan Knapp shared some research he had prepared on recycling. Laura Miller shared that in the discussions she had with residents if we were to move away from curbside people would like to see us do something else environmentally conscious. Fred Hurley mentioned we would need to make upgrades at the Transfer Station to improve flow. Dan Rosenthal asked if Fred was certain that the upgrades could accommodate additional traffic at the Transfer Station? Fred was not certain though improvements are necessary either way. Chris Gardner asked about moving to bi-weekly but unfortunately the impact would not be meaningful. The group discussed having an education campaign to make people aware of the costs and challenges with recycling as a necessary step ahead of making any possible changes. The next meeting will be with the vendor(s) to get their point of view.

Voter Comment: None

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:30

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Rosenthal

