

Ld bRX4 Minutes
February 10, 2010
5:15 PM

Members Present: Blanche Davison, Elery Keene, Tom Longstaff, Ross Nason, Lassandra Von Appen

1. Addressing the issue of educating people about bottled water:
 - *Tapped* is extremely expensive to rent. It is about plastic bags as well as plastic bottles.
 - Ross will contact Railroad Square about the availability of *Tapped*.
 - Linda has *Flow*. Blanche, Lassandra, Elery, & Linda will preview it on February 19 at 2:00 at Blanche's house (25 Eustis Parkway [2nd house on the right after the church])
 - Ross reminds us to pay attention to scientific facts. Be sure there is data to support each position.
 - The REM room is a potential location for a public viewing.

2. Addressing the creation of a comprehensive recycling brochure:
 - The group thinks this is the first task to address.
 - (Linda talked to Dan about Johnny's potential donation, but does not know when/if this will be available.)
 - Ross proposes that one committee member go to each town to get the material about where to recycle each specific item. Determine whether there is a cost to recycle these items.
 - People to talk to include town office, transfer station manager, public works, & city manager.
 - Get phone numbers & hours of operation as well.
 - Collect whatever brochures each town has.
 - Ross will provide a list of what specific questions to ask.
 - Blanche & Marian will do Waterville; Lass & Elery will do Winslow; Linda will do Oakland; Ross will do Fairfield.
 - If no one knows where to recycle a specific item, Ross will research to provide exact answers.
 - Staples will recycle printers.
 - Recycle prescription drugs by taking them to Kennebec County Sheriff's office.
 - Bring data from the above to the next meeting.

3. Blanche will contact Hannaford to see if they will put the Sustain Mid-Maine logo on their reusable bags.

Bangor Savings Bank has a contest on their web site to donate money to certain non-profits. Ross supplied directions for this in another e-mail. In case you missed it, here it is, "Please take 60 seconds to go to the link below and vote to financially support Sustain

Mid-Maine. SSM is a municipally sponsored program of Waterville and the surrounding communities. We are currently attempting to raise funds possibly for the \$5000 match needed for an Americore-Vista employee.

When voting, write in “Sustain Mid-Maine” in the box provided in the “Central” category.

Bangor Savings is generously donating \$100,000 to non-profit organizations making a difference in our communities [Marker]

<http://www.bangor.com/youmattermore/voting.aspx>

4. Free Webinar about dealing with the organic decomposing of plastics #3 through 7 on February 25 at 2 PM. If you are interested in taking this course, contact Ross. 453-4258 ex. 23
5. Elery went to Augusta to learn about the closing of the Hampden landfill and the expansion of the Norridgewock landfill.

The next meeting is **March 3 at 5:15** in the Mayor’s Conference Room. The primary agenda item at this meeting will be reviewing the objectives from the Catalyst and assessing where we are.