

CITY OF SOUTH PORTLAND, MAINE
SOUTH PORTLAND ENERGY & RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Meeting Agenda

February 17 , 2016

So. Portland Community Center

Large Conference Room

Call to order - 6:30 pm.

Committee

- Bob Foster - At Large (Beecher) Chair - **Present**
- Clyde Barr - At Large (Beecher) - **Present**
- Jessica Williams - At Large (Blake) Vice Chair - Absent
- Gregory Norton - At Large (Blake) - **Present**
- Rita Thompson - District 1 - **Present**
- Rich Crowley - District 1- Absent
- Vacant - District 2
- Melinda Timpf - District 2 - **Present**
- Nathan Davis - District 3 - Absent
- William Fritzmeier - District 3 - Absent
- Scott Lever - District 4 - Absent
- Patrick Cyr - District 4 - Absent
- David J. Cote - District 5 - **Present**
- Andrew Snyder - District 5 Secretary - **Present**
- Julie Rosenbach - City Liaison - Absent
- Vacant - School Department Liaison

Meeting called to order at 6:45.

Membership Report and Updates:

- Introduction of new Members - David J. Cote was introduced at this meeting, new members absent where Nathan Davis and Scott Lever.

Old Business:

- Acceptance of January's minutes - Motion to accept, Clyde; second, Andy
- Acceptance of January's Workshop minutes - Motion to accept, Andy; second, Dave

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- Newsletter - status of upcoming articles and due dates - Discussion of topics.
 - Newsletter for 3/28: “What to do with Electronic Waste” Melinda volunteered to write. Mike Howe, (Riverside recycling in Portland) is potential contact for useful information. Will South Portland have a Household Chemical Waste Disposal day this Spring as well as this fall?
 - Newsletter for 4/11 - “Swap Shop” discussion of new swap shop at the new transfer facilities - need volunteer to write. Doug Howard, South Portland Director of Public Works is contact for information.

New Business:

- Swap Shop Management - Doug Howard - New transfer facility is open and functional. Doug Howard was going to address committee tonight, but had to attend City Council Meeting (re-scheduled from 2/8). Doug will address ERC at April meeting. ERC will be asked to come up with suggestions on how to manage and staff - maybe a brainstorming session.
- Single Use Bag & Polystyrene Ban outreach - Ordinance in effect March 1. Julie working with small businesses to make sure they are ready. Julie will need help moving forward. Q&A answer sheets on City Website under Sustainability Office. Please review and educate others. ERC members are asked to communicate with Julie as to compliance with ordinance.
- Julie, Jessica, and Bob meet last month to develop a road map for future meetings. Keep in mind this is a road map that is subject to change as circumstances change.
 - March: Greenhouse Gas Update by Ben Lake, Maine Clean Communities Coordinator/Energy & Transit Program Analyst, GPCOG (6:30 - 8:30 extended meeting). Meeting will be a discussion of the presentation GHG Update to City Council.
 - April: Swap Shop presentation by Doug Howard. Discussion of CAP

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goals for presentation to City Council in May. Discussion of Mayors
Climate Commitment

- May: Zero Waste Events - Any function where waste is generated such as festivals, events, sports. Specific examples are Art in the Park, Bug Light Day, Willard Square Festival. The goal is to maximize re-usable and re-recyclable. Melinda suggested corporate sponsorship of recycling receptacles. Need to develop a universal checklists for events to follow to be more sustainable. Could become part of standard permitting.
- June: New CAP recommendations and actions for 2017-25, looking for community input.
- July: Waste reduction plan

Open Discussion:

- Google Drive workshop - Melinda: at a meeting or separate workshop?
Location? City Hall basement, Community Center conference rooms? Time?
Mid-March? Melinda will e-mail with time and place.
- March 14 Council Meeting - Solar Energy Presentation City Council - ERC
members are encouraged to attend.

Adjournment - Motion by Clyde, second Melinda. Adjourned at 7:45 pm

Next meeting: Wed., March 16, 2016 - Community Center