

CITY OF SOUTH PORTLAND, MAINE
SOUTH PORTLAND ENERGY & RECYCLING COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
June 19th, 2013
South Portland Community Center

Call to order – 6:00pm

Committee

- Todd Erickson – Chair, District 2
- Sabrina Dalton – Vice Chair, District 4
- Brian Wallace – Secretary, District 5
- Peter Wilson – At Large - absent
- Bob Foster – At Large Associate
- Heather Valley – District 4
- Jessica Williams – At Large Associate
- Mike Howe – Volunteer
- Rita Thompson – District 1
- David Domingos - At Large
- Stanley Cox - District 3
- Doug Howard – City Liaison
- Eric Knutsen- District 4- At Large

Minutes from Previous Meeting (May 2013)

Minutes were accepted with all in favor.

Green Minute:

Julie Pitt- Science Teacher with Mahoney Middle was present to talk about the presence of recycling in Mahoney. Talked about the room for improvement in schools to recycle.

Doug and Julie will be working on getting the Eco Maine Educator to set a program together for Mahoney.

She also discussed the Eco Maine School Recycling Grant program through Eco Maine. Grant application deadline for schools is Oct. 31st.

Revision Heat has a Kedel Wood Pellet System that typically would save over \$1500 yearly in home heating cost and reduce CO2 emissions by 90%.

Todd and Stan were attending an open house in a So. Portland residence after the meeting and will report back.

Old Business:

Grant money available for the Sustainability Coordinator through the E.P.A. & U.S.D.A. This issue will be made a Priority Issue.

EcoMaine:

Doug Howard talked about Leo Mahue the Recycling Educator for Eco Maine. He will talk with Leo about getting Environmental Education in Schools.

City Minute:

Tar Sands received enough signatures for the City to work on a Waterfront Protection Ordinance.

Willard Fest:

The committee had a discussion in regards with being involved in the upcoming Willard Fest on July 13th (rain date the 14th). Garbage to Garden will be there handling their own composting outreach. Members of the Recycling Committee will be present with demonstrations and recycling information. The idea is to assist the event in achieving “near zero waste”.

Facebook:

The committee had a discussion in regards to there being a Facebook page for the committee. This will be handled by the City Clerk’s office, which has a new policy about Facebook that the Committee needs more info on.

Membership Reports & Updates:

Eric Knutsen was introduced as an Associate Member District 4. We are still waiting on Mike Howe’s confirmation to the Committee.

New Business:

The Committee discussed the upcoming Bug Light Festival on August 17th, and the possibility of having the Committee involved.

Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Next Meeting:

July 17th, 2013 @ 6:00pm in the 2nd Floor Conference Room of the Community Center.

Minutes taken by Brian Wallace