

Eastport Recycling Committee

Minutes

Tuesday, July 25, 2023

5-6 p.m.

Shead High School

Present: Samra Kuseybi, Lora Whelan, Beth Clifford, Pat Christopher, Becca and Chip Hammond

Minutes taker: Lora

Approval of April minutes was unanimous.

1. Lora and Samra gave a quick update/summary: The city council approved the committee's use of the building behind the fire station for recycling and the application of a grant to repair/upgrade the building and purchase a shipping container. Grant application process opens sometime in September.

2. Pre-grant writing research tasks to collect cost estimates were assigned with the hope that they can be completed before our next meeting in mid-August.

- a) Chip -- will meet with Public Works Director Howie Johnson to get the electrical requirements of the baler; will also take photos of the baler.
- b) Samra -- will check with Tom Critchley about used shipping containers.
- c) Beth and Becca -- will research used/new shipping containers, how they are delivered, and what type of underlayment is needed to keep them from ground contact and the costs of that material.
- d) Samra and Lora -- will research electrical substation and wiring costs.
- e) Lora -- will ask Jeanne Peacock to research containers for holding recycling materials; will research cost of repairing holes in building.
- f) Pat -- will research EcoMaine costs and availability in this area.

3. In other business:

- a) Committee members were reminded to keep track of their volunteer hours for Gwen Hoffnagle to collect.
- b) A DEP webinar will be held 8/03, 3-5 p.m., on the grant application process.
- c) Lora will check in with Howie about the e-waste, paint and lightbulbs that still need to be sent to the appropriate vendors.
- d) Next meeting will be scheduled for the week of August 14.

Adjourned 6 p.m.