

Old Lyme Solid Waste & Recycling Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2024 at 6:30 PM
Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall

Attendees: Maryellen Basham; Jim Ward; Fred Behringer; Leslie O'Connor; Suzanne Thompson; Karen Taylor

1. Call to Order at 6:34 PM
2. Approval of December minutes: Suzanne motioned to approve and Fred seconded; all in favor
3. Guest speakers- none
4. Old Business
 - A. Monthly Updates
 1. Discussed 2024 meeting schedule and the need for a special meeting to formalize
 2. Town Hall/Selectman/Finance: Submitted 2024 budget (\$3,000)
 3. CWPM Updates: no update this month.
 4. Trex Collection at PGN Library is contaminated; educational event to be planned at PGN library
 5. Textile Bin collection is 3830 lbs YTD = ~\$100 (\$80 in November collected which is equivalent to ~1000 lbs); rate increase to \$0.06/lb; checks are going into the general fund; Maryellen to talk to Anita in TH
 - i. Composting: Jim and Maryellen to put slides on drive for the team to review and contribute ideas; presentation to the Selectperson meeting is the goal for February. Proposing 2-60 gallon collection bins at transfer station; presentation will include considerations for measures of success/failure; recommend 1 year pilot study
 6. Town Website updated with holiday waste reduction details, to be removed soon.
 7. Nip Fund ideas total is 15,930.51
5. New Business- none
6. Upcoming Events, Outreach and Other Announcements
 - A. PGN Library 2024 Public Educational Programs sponsored by the OL conservation commission (OLCC). Dates are Wednesdays Jan 24, March 13, April 24, May 22 @6:30pm. SW&R members to present 4/24.
 - B. Below are the deadlines for the 2024 Event Mag. submissions:

Quarter 1: **Feb. 2 deadline** (covers Mar 11 - June 10) Karen put draft in drive; team to review by 1/22 for 2/1 submission

Quarter 2: **May 3 deadline** (covers June 10 - Sept 4)

Quarter 3: **July 26 deadline** (covers Sept 4 - Dec 2)

Quarter 4: **Oct 25 deadline** (covers Dec 2 through Feb 2025)
8. Motion to adjourn by Jim at 7:47, second by Fred, all in favor.