

Charlton Recycling Committee Minutes

January 9, 2020

The meeting began at 5:10pm. Present were Kathleen Walker and Deborah Marquis. Deb read the November 14, 2019 minutes. They were accepted.

Our DEP Small Scales Initiatives grant order has come in and is at the town hall, except for the two large raffle items which will come in the spring. Kara has set up the display outside of the Selectman's office.

We have a healthy balance in our revolving fund from our sales and Deb had an idea to buy a special kind of bags that attach to your shopping cart at the market that are made of recycled material. It was voted to let Deb buy some of the bags from Trending Ideas to sell at Earth Fest and the Blueberry Festival.

Another possible use of our funds could be to help fund the HHWD voucher program in the fall if the 100 vouchers the town provided are used up in the spring and summer events.

The current vouchers were discussed next. Kathleen will ask Andrea Humphries at BOH to be the contact person and also see if she could design the vouchers. The voucher would allow a Charlton resident to bring a half car load free to the HHWD event on the last Saturday in March or June at 165 Barefoot Road in Southbridge. Also, since the HHWD flier has mentioned yard waste, we wondered if it is considered part of the half car load or in addition to it. Kathleen will call Tracy Markham at Casella's to find out.

The plan is to publicize the free vouchers to residents using the town website, local gazette articles and a flier to distribute which we will ask Andrea to create. Citizens will sign up for a voucher at the BOH office. Casella's will collect the vouchers and then bill the town.

The meeting ended at 6:00pm.