

**IWMAC Meeting Minutes
Durham Town Hall Chambers
Nov 2, 2022, 8am**

Attendees: Nell Neal, Barbara Dill, Al Howland, Rich Reine, Sam Hewitt, Julie Kelley, Susan Richman, Sally Needell, Mary Caulfield. **Absent:** Naomi Kornhauser, Carden Welsh

Welcome - Nell

Public Comments – no comments

Approval of agenda

Approve minutes

DPW - Rich commented on the Greenpeace article as well as mentioning that Waste Management is supporting repropose plastics by purchasing uniforms and totes made from recycled plastic materials. Further discussion/debate on recycling costs, environmental hazards, market vs landfill. Different grades of plastic and how to communicate “what happens to your plastic” also discussed.

Logo -

Nell asked around the circle what the “chasing arrows” mean to each of us, is it communicating just plastic or everything? Nell questioned the committee if chasing arrows should be the logo IWMAC should use for identifying the IWMAC committee on the educational campaign literature. The majority felt the “chasing arrows” meant reduce, reuse, recycle - close the loop.

Rich spoke of the upcoming demolition at 74 Main St., Durham. Materials in this demolition will be sorted either on site or taken to be sorted. Question was raised if the Durham zoning could add this into our town ordinance?

Compost -

Compost to the LaRoche Farm and NH State permits, 2 options; just vegetable products or a full standard permit. There are many state requirements for these different permits.

Continue to question; How can we get Durham residents to compost more?

Al circulated information he has collected so far from the Town of Durham Department Compost Study. Al is looking for feedback. The amount of organic waste per department varies greatly.

Al sited that a goal can be to first have conversations within each department about their solid waste.

Submitted by Mary Caulfield