IWMAC Meeting Minutes - Final Durham Town Hall Council Chamber November 30, 2022, 8am

In attendance: Nell Neal, Carden Welsh, Sally Needell, Rich Reine, Sam Hewitt, Barbara Dill, Julie Kelley, and Naomi Kornhauser.

Approval of 11/26 minutes

Town Council Report. Council has been working on budget and Carbon Action Plan. Heard report by Strafford County leadership.

DPW Update.

- Planning underway for automated curbside pickup, to start January 2025. Vendors being considered for purchase of truck. Survey being done by DPW workers of how much trash/recycling is generated at households and best placement for toters.
- How will we get rid of old garbage containers? Nell asked that we educate public about repurposing or recycling containers.
- Swap Shop closing December 10. Small appliances left over will be taken to Savers
- Rich and Sam shared new business cards with QR code links to DPW story maps.

Report on logo contest. Committee voted to approve additional expenditure of \$50 registration fee. We hope to select logo at next meeting. Naomi will email Todd regarding quick turnaround needed for his comments. Nell will share with other committees, but not for approval. Deadline to confirm choice with logocontest.com is 12/22.

Report on Goals/Targets for educational campaign by Carden and Sam.

- Goals will be based on pounds per capita per day of waste sent to landfill. Still trying to settle on population of town, defining residents in manner that can be used consistently in the future. Based on population 8,000, current rate is 1.35 pounds/day. This includes curbside trash, construction and demolition debris, and bulky waste.
- Bar chart provided by Sam shows that Durham is doing very well when compared to nationwide numbers. How can we incentivize improving our own practices when we are already doing relatively well and any money to be saved is minimal? One possible incentive is to delay having to establish new landfills.
- Compost could reduce waste to landfill by up to 40%, based on Compost Challenge results.

Next meeting is December 14. We will pick a logo and discuss how to spend remainder of 2022 IWMAC budget.

Minutes submitted by Naomi