

IWMAC Meeting Minutes - Draft
Durham Town Hall Council Chambers
September 27, 2023, 8am

In attendance: Carden Welsh, Heather Grant, Julie Kelley, Naomi Kornhauser, Nell Neal, Sam Hewitt, and Susan Richman, plus Tess Hornbeck, observer from UNH.

Planning Board Update. Heather said a good time was approaching to revise site plan regulations for better access to trash and recycling. She will let us know when we need to prepare our recommendations

DPW Update. GREAT NEWS – Sam reported that we received a grant of \$725,000 toward purchasing 2 EV vehicles. Durham will be the first town in New Hampshire to have EV curbside collection! Plan is to transition to these vehicles sometime in 2024.

Library Programs Update. Susan provided schedule of the following events:

October 4 Kiss the Ground movie

October 25 Paige Wilson of DES will speak about composting

November 15 Dr. Robert Dewey will speak about climate and health

November 28 Microplastics Madness movie.

DPW waste management discussion. Date may be changed – Nell is checking on Rich's schedule. We hope to discuss 1) How will this plan lead to more recycling and 2) How to include composting in long term plan.

Spreading the Word

- Where to distribute our educational materials? Ideas include community dinners at high school, the library, the transfer station, delivering by hand in neighborhoods, and giving to new residents when they come to Town Clerk's office. Julie will discuss the last option with Rachel Deane.
- Post testimonials on Social Media, as capstone project through UNH instructor Erin Hale. Julie will discuss this with Erin.
- Recycle Right video not available due to camera malfunction.
- We cannot have separate IWMAC website.
- Craig can set up DYK archive, but it may not be useful unless it is searchable.
- Lions Club of Dover collects plastic bags at Chamber of Commerce, to be recycled by Trex. Nell checking to see if we could have similar program.

Next meeting scheduled for October 18