Rye Recycling Education Committee 3/21/23 Rye Public Library 6:30 p.m.

Attendees: Alex H, Joan P, Cynthia B, Pam H

Action Items

- Alex- add the Recycling video to the Civic News Newsletter
- Pam- reach out to Steven Borne to discuss timing of recycling video
- Alex/Pam/Cynthia- send selectmen letter to request staying on committee next term

Meeting Notes

- Selectmen Letter for next term
 - Alex will find out if we can extend it to two years
 - Alex, Cynthia and Pam all need to submit letters to Selectmen
- Recycling Video
 - Alex will add to the Civic News Newsletter
- Future Newsletter Updates
 - Interview restaurants in town and showcase recycling and composting- we had done that before the pandemic and might be time to start that up again
- Swap Shop Updates
 - Alex meeting with Transfer Station Attendants to close up holes to keep birds out
- Status of Recycling in NH/Solutions to Challenges
 - Alex discussed Columbia University study- mentions recycling to increase in 2024 with innovative ways to recycle
 - Pam discussed interview with Professor Judith Ench from Benington College- recycling alone won't solve the problem- we need to reduce our plastic usage- need intervention and incentives from a state and national level
- Field Trip to Turnkey Landfill
 - Pam reached out to Victor at Turnkey Landfill to choose a date for the tour- sometime in April- waiting to hear back
 - Senior Serve bus managed by Jim Delaney (<u>jfdelaney99@gmail.com</u>) who manages the Senior Serve program. Head driver is away, coming back in April.
 - Bus holds 10 people- first trip to include RREC along with Seniors who may be interested in the landfill operations
 - No charge to use the bus- drivers are all volunteers- need to use drivers from a vetted list
- RREC Prize money
 - No decision yet on what the rest will be used for-TBD
- Home Recycling Video
 - Video idea to feature the Borne family and how they recycle
 - o Script has been created, will find a time to meet with the Borne's for an interview
 - o Video on reducing what goes into the trash- Stephen Bourne has offered to let us video
- Adjournment
 - Next Meeting April 18th at Rye Library 6:30 pm