

**Recycling and Solid Waste Commission  
Regular Meeting  
July 13, 2017  
Municipal Center  
Room 200  
7:00 pm**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Marie Cassidy, Richard Ireland, Jr., Rebecca Ireland, Kathy Cole, Wayne Fish and George Fensick

**Visitors:** None

**Absent:** None

**I. Guest Speakers**

None

**II. Minutes**

**Motion to approve the May 13, 2017 minutes with one change. "Under Bills and Communications it should say that the base is marble."**

**by:** George Fensick

**Second:** Wayne Fish

**All in Favor 6 to 0**

**Motion Passes**

**III. Bills and Communications**

1. Town Council Liaison – Deb Tompkins not present
2. Roadwork – Rich mentioned that the roadwork being done in town reuses the old tar to make the new tar.
3. New Budget Year - Rich mentioned that we are in a new budget year and the budget remained the same as last year.

**IV. Old Business**

1. Apartment/Condo Recycling – Wayne reported that his complex is finally recycling. Wayne requested copies of the recycling flyers to hand out to tenants that move in.

Rich stated that he emailed the Town Manager regarding checking for compliance. Rich to invite Town Manager to next meeting to discuss.

2. Battery Recycling – Rich to follow up with the Town Manager about the proposed Battery Recycling Bucket. Rich to invite Town Manager to the next meeting to discuss it.

3. CWPM – Rich mentioned that the contract was renewed and that they are saving money from recycling. Rich states he will be writing an article for the local papers and will post on Facebook Page.

## V. New Business

1. Clothes and Blanket Recycling – George reported that he spoke to someone in New Britain and Bristol regarding soft recycling. They directed him to Great Lakes Recycling (Simple Recycling). Soft recycling includes but is not limited to blankets, towels, sheets, and clothing. They are separate from the town and supply the donation bags that would be left out the same day as your trash weekly. The donated items then go to sorting distribution center in New Britain. This cost zero dollars to the donor and is resold to local thrift shops. Items that cannot sell will then go overseas. No limits to the amount that can be donated. George states he will talk to the Town Manager. To be discussed further at meeting in August.
2. Farmer's Market – The Farmer's Market will be 3 to 6 pm on Fridays at Plainville High School starting in late June and going until September 29. Rich emailed the person in charge about setting up a table like last year. Rich requested volunteers to cover the shifts on 8/4 and 8/18.
  - Wayne and Marie volunteered for 8/4 from 3-6
  - Coverage for 8/18 will be discussed at the next meeting.
3. Hot Air Balloon Festival – Located at Norton Park and will be August 25 – August 27. The committee will have a booth. Rich and Becky will work Friday night, George will help out too. Wayne and Marie volunteered to work Saturday, 8/26 from 9-1. Rich and Becky will work in the afternoon. Kathy will help with setup and take down.

## VI. Adjournment

**A motion was made by:** Wayne Fish made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm.

**Second:** Kathy Cole

**Vote:** Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jonie McMillan*

Recording Secretary