

**PLAINVILLE RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE COMMISSION
PLAINVILLE, CONNECTICUT**

MINUTES

JANUARY 11, 2024

REGULAR MEETING AT 7:00 P.M.

**Room 200
Municipal Center**

PRESENT: Rich Ireland, Rebecca Ireland, Kathy Cole, George Fensick

STAFF PRESENT: None

ABSENT: None

VISITORS: None

I. ROLL CALL

There was a quorum.

II. GUEST SPEAKERS

None

III. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

None

IV. MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the November 9, 2023 minutes as written

by: Commissioner Fensick

Seconded by: Commissioner Cole

All in Favor 4 to 0 Motion Passes

Minutes approved as written.

V. BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Town Council Liaison – Deb Tompkins was not present.

C. Other – Nip bottle recycling was discussed. Newspaper articles were shared. Chairman Ireland to see if it is possible to put a trash can, near bus stops and by

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Fire Department for people to dispose of nip bottles. Chairman Ireland to report at the next meeting, once he contacts the Town Staff.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Recycling Guide** – Commissioner Rebecca Ireland completed the Recycling guides. She will distribute to commissioners for final approval. Commissioner Ireland to send the guide to the Hometown Connection Newspaper and Plainville Citizen for distribution to Town Residents. Commissioner Ireland to place the completed copies at the Town Hall and Library.
2. **Battery Recycling** - the board talked about the required recycling container and how it would work. The location of the bin needs to be addressed. Mr. Dievert suggests the Transfer Station. Mr. Cirioli and Mr. Dievert to check into the container and the bin location and report it at the next meeting. Mr. Cirioli to see how other towns handle Battery Recycling and report back. **Ongoing**
3. **Fluorescent Bulb Recycling** - The commissioners asked if fluorescent bulbs are able to be recycled at the transfer station. Mr. Cirioli reported that they are not recycled at the transfer station. Mr. Dievert to check into it and report information. **Ongoing**
4. **Simple Recycling** - The commissioners asked about Simple Recycling. Mr. Cirioli reported that Simple Recycling is no longer working in CT. **Ongoing**
5. **Food Waste Recycling** – the commissioners asked if it is a possibility to start it in Plainville. Mr. Cirioli to look into it and it will be discussed at a future meeting. **Ongoing**

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Composting** – The commission discussed composting. Chairman Ireland to put a survey on Plainville Talks, to ask residents if they are interested in composting. Chairman Ireland to report results of survey at the next meeting. Chairman Ireland to contact “Blue Earth Composting” to come into a future meeting to share information and possibly bring a composting bin for the commission to look at.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm by:
Commissioner Fensick

Seconded by: Commissioner Ireland

All in Favor 4 to 0 Motion Passes

Meeting Adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Dahlstrom

Recording Secretary