

TOWN OF SILVER CITY RECYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES January 7th, 2015

Held at Annex II, (old Shamrock station) Silver City, NM

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 3:00 PM. Members in attendance: Terry Timme, acting chair, David Krisch, Gordon West, Connie Glenn, Alan Archer, Jane Riger. Absent : Tommy Ogas, Recycling Supervisor, Amy Hart. Visitor: Gary Stailey

Minutes: Minutes from November 6, 2014 meeting approved by voice vote.

Old Business:

- Update on Ordinance 1231 (no single-use plastic carryout bags in Silver City) : distribution of reusable bags on Brewer Hill, Chihuahua Hill, the Volunteer Center has been done. Scheduled distributions at Walmart, the Tamale Fiesta and Food Basket and Albertsons. The reusable bag distribution has **less than 200 left**. This is “beyond Terry’s dreams” in terms of increased awareness of the ordinance for the SC community. Thanks to the Girl Scouts, JPPO HELP NM, PNM , the Volunteer Center and others. The Recycling Advisory Committee is proud of the efforts made by Terry and others at The Office of Sustainability for seeing this ordinance through to completion.

- Make a Reusable Bag Contest: Top award category winners will have choice of prize. top winners (of 8 submissions) 1. Kathy Cole, 2. Diane LaFrance, 3. Susan Lynch, 4. Jacklynn Rodriguez and 5 Sandy Willaimson.

Categories: most artistic, functional and best use of recycled materials

Judges: Judy Billings, Diana Leyba, Margaret Hadderman

Sponsors: Aunt Judy’ Attic, Single Socks, L&L Arts, WalMart, Food Coop, SC Museum, SC Food Coop, and Dominos Pizza.

- JPPO/Restore drop-off at the land fill will be the 3rd Saturday of each month, 8:00 am - noon. Permission has been asked of NMED. In future could be training for DWI offenders to work in this program for community service.

New Business:

- SC Food Co-op is promoting e-waste collection at 614 on the 2nd Saturday of each month.
- Earth Day, April 18th at Gough Park. E waste collection will be at the Office of Sustainability.

SWSWA Report (Tommy Ogas not able to be present) :

- OCC sales need to be brokered by SWSWA (as of 1/1/15) , not NMRC Recycling Co-op.
- Tommy Ogas is doing his best to maintain recycling efforts with continuing equipment breakdowns. Problems include forklift, trucks and front end loaders breaking down. This committee applauds Tommy’s efforts to get equipment up and running while dealing with a backlog of OCC and single stream recycling.

Update from the Office of Sustainability (Terry Timme)

- 15 more “clear stream” containers have been received for park recycling.
- Terry will be in Albuquerque for the next NMRC Recycling Coalition meeting on Jan 14.
- General discussion of proposed recycled art festival or contest

Adjournment, Next Meeting - Meeting adjourned at 4:00PM. Next meeting **Thursday, February 5th , 3:00 pm.**