Minutes: 3/20/24

Thanks to all that attended last night!

Melissa Zych, Sherry Godlewski, Scott Stanial, Maureen Quinn, David Backstrom, Lisa Dufresne, Karen Festa, Roberto Prieto

We did a quick intro of:

How long in Deerfield, Career Background, Why did you reach out to join this committee, Goals/Ideas for us.

What we learned!

 Wide range of amazing career experiences - IT, Industrial Engineer, Chemical Engineer, IT, Healthcare/RN, Government, Retired DES (Dept of Environmental Services), State recycling coordinator, Aircraft Mechanic

Some ideas:

- Create simple signage tied to cost savings
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- Team up with other surrounding towns
- Communicate regularly through Gazette and Town Website (Tips, etc)
- Best Practices, gather from visiting other towns/sites
- Town Composting? other ways to reduce MSW?
- did you know: Existing Swap Shop was the prior recycling building (all undercover)
- Create Roadmap visual, with deliverables to keep us moving forward!
- NRRA Deerfield is a member (\$400/yr) -- check out the following links:
 - Website
 - Vermont great ideas
 - Annual Recycling Conference June 3-4 Concord!

Questions for Kevin:

- 1. Does Casella take all of our recycling?
- 2. Are all of the TS employees Certified Solid Waste Operators?
- 3. What are our tipping fees, costs, etc (share at our next mtg if you can attend!)

Next Steps:

- Sherry & Melissa to draft article for next issue of Gazette
- Suzanne touch base with John Harrington about town website updates from this committee & NRRA conference access
- Suzanne create Group text- please send #, I'll email out who's who