

**Town of Montville Solid Waste Sub-Committee
Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2009
Council Meeting Room – 5:30 p.m.**

1. **Call to Order** – Chairman Radgowski called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call** – Present were Councilors Buebendorf, Murphy and Radgowski. Also present was Public Works Director Don Bourdeau and Re-use/Free Items Volunteer Sandy Gregory.
4. **Approval of the Minutes** – Motion made by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Buebendorf to approve the meeting minutes of the previous meeting. Discussion: none. Voice vote; 3-0, all in favor, motion carried.
5. **Remarks from the Public Regarding Items on the Agenda** – None.
6. **Old Business**
 - a. **Re-use/Free Items** – Don Bourdeau indicated there are no issues at this time. He stated sales are only conducted on Saturdays for the time being.
 - b. **Transfer Station Operations** – General Discussion – Don Bourdeau stated the Transfer Station is running fine. He had a meeting with the employees and they did not indicate there were any issues. He stated the Cancer Society will install a clothing bin at the Transfer Station.
7. **New Business**
 - a. **Recycling Education** – Don Bourdeau discussed the education program, stating he visited Palmer Academy and the Oakdale School and both schools did exceptionally well with recycling. He discussed getting the custodians on board with the program, stating if they are not cooperating, the program will not work. He hopes the program will expand to all the schools in the near future. He discussed theme based recycling programs that may help with recycling, such as Christmas tree recycling in December, leaves in the Fall, batteries in January etc. that may entice people to remember to recycle. He hopes students will help out with the displays and advertisements and discussed the possibility of making a video for older kids and a puppet show for the younger ones. He stated this program has a lot of potential with a minimal cost to the Town.

Councilor Buebendorf suggested the use of the copier paper boxes for recycling bins in the schools. She stated she loves the students are becoming involved in the program and would invite them to give a presentation before the Council in the future. She stated it is a great program for the kids and it is great for the environment.

Don Bourdeau welcomed input from the Councilors regarding the program. He stated he would like to expand the program and keep the thought process moving. He stated the more the town recycles, the more money it will save in the long run.

8. **Remarks from the Public**

Sandy Gregory discussed the lack of soda and water machines in the Fair Oaks School. She stated with all the activities held there, it would be nice to have a machine to supply beverages.

9. **Remarks from Members** – none.

10. **Adjournment** – Motion made by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Buebendorf to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m. Discussion: none. Voice vote: 3-0, all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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