September 17, 2019

The Plastic Bags and Straws Ad Hoc Committee held a special meeting on this date at Stonington Human Services at 6:00 p.m. Present were Moira Deasy, Erika Lebling, Farrah Garland, Jason Hine, Stacey Wilbur and Don Kluberdanz. Thaler Hefel, Markowski-Roop, Stephanie Hayes-Houlihan and the press were not present.

(1) Call to Order

Ms. Deasy called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

(2) Pledge of Allegiance

(3) Comments from the Public

None

(4) Minutes

Having sent the minutes from the August 20, 2019 meeting to the committee prior to this meeting, the committee was able to review. A motion was made by Ms. Garland, seconded Mr. Hine and passed unanimously to accept the minutes.

(5) Correspondence

Mr. Kluberdanz presented an article from the Westerly Sun entitled "Plastics Committee Publicizing Jan. 1 Bag Ban in Westerly."

(6) Old Business

Presentation - Ms. Deasy Will Report on the Budget

Ms. Deasy reported that the Committee has not spent any of the \$1500 budget to date.

Discussion - Make Final Decision About Bag Type

The committee was unable to approve a decision as the variety of previously researched reusable bags were not present at the meeting. This action item will be moved to the October 1 meeting.

(7) New Business

Discussion - Discussion of Committee's Next Action Items and Direction

Ms. Garland or Mr. Kluberdanz will circulate the FAQ sheet to the group for review.

The committee discussed not wanting to lose forward momentum with Suzanne Harle on the marketing materials. Mr. Hine will contact Ms. Harle to continue if Ms. Markowski-Roop is unable to do so.

(8) Comments from the Public

None

(9) Comments from the Committee

None

(10) Adjourn

Erika Lebling

Recording Secretary