

October 1, 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, Thaler Hefel, Erika Lebling, Jason Hine, Beth Markowski-Roop Stacey Wilbur and Don Kluberdanz. Farrah Garland, 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 September 17, 2019 meeting to the committee prior to this meeting, the committee was able to review. A motion was made by Mr. Hine, seconded Mr. Hefel and passed unanimously to accept the minutes.

**(5) Correspondence**

None

**(6) Old Business**

**Presentation – Ms. Deasy Will Report on the Budget**

Ms. Deasy emphasized that none of the committee's budget of \$1,500 will be spent on the reusable bags that are sponsored by Dan Meiser. The \$1,500 can go towards marketing materials and the printing of other bags that do not have Mr. Meiser's logos on them.

**Discussion – Make Final Decision About Bag Type**

Ms Deasy reported on her meeting with Mr. Meiser where the two reviewed the reusable bag types. She displayed the bag that Mr. Meiser picked, and noted that he would like it to be printed locally. It will be printed in one color to save printing costs and allow for more bags.

**(7) New Business**

**Discussion- The Committee Will Plan for the Ordinance's Roll Out Day**

The committee discussed which FAQs were essential for the marketing materials. Mr. Kluberdanz will complete the list.

The committee discussed how marketing materials would be distributed; whether they should be sent to businesses electronically, so each business can print only what they need. Both the Mystic Chamber of Commerce and the Ocean Community Chamber of Commerce will be asked to circulate marketing materials to their members prior to the roll out. Ms. Deasy will inquire about uploading electronic documents to the Town's website.

**Discussion – Discussion of Committee's Next Action Items and Direction**

The committee discussed the future of the committee after the November 2<sup>nd</sup> roll out date, noting that as an ad hoc committee direction must come from the Town.

**(8) Comments from the Public**

None

**(9) Comments from the Committee**

None

**(10) Adjourn**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erika Lebling', written over the printed name.

Erika Lebling

Recording Secretary