

PAYT Implementation Working Group Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom Conference Call

In attendance:

Ann Wiedie	Yes	Laurie Bent	Yes
Jacquelyn Jackson	Yes	Tom Cullen	Yes
Julia Greene	Yes	David Ayer	Yes
Kortni Wroten	Yes	Kara Fleming	Yes

Public Comment:

None

Communication:

Signs at Transfer Station – Electronic sign when available (3 Lines, 8-9 Letters)

Website – Kara has established web page. Laurie to develop FAQ.

Council on Aging – David to find out about next newsletter and potential for Zoom meeting to describe / explain PAYT.

“Under the Cupola” – Potential for new instalment by Leon explaining PAYT

Newspaper articles – Two articles, one now on why and the next in September on how. Ann to draft first article.

Debbie Slotpole offered SWAG’s help in communication.

Sticker Distribution:

Determined Two sticker’s maximum per household.

Potential online application.

Bags:

Determined to offer two bag sizes – 15 and 30 gallon sized drawstring 1.5 mil bags (Pilot program bags were 15-gallon 1.5 mil bags)

Voted to work with Waste Zero as a vendor to produce, establish outlets, distribute and account for bags.

Potential Outlets – Brothers, Walgreen’s, Weston Market, Stonegate, Market Basket, Post Road Liquors, Roche Bros. (Wellesley), Whole Foods (Wellesley), Hannaford’s, Gordon’s Liquors, Donnelan’s - David to contact Waste Zero to ask how many outlets to have.

Look to get public feedback on potential outlets.

David to inquire with Waste Zero regarding order size / quantity of bags.

Mass DEP Grants:

Julia explained the potential grant of \$ 10 per historical use households for help in procuring bags and communication to residents. This is a onetime grant.

Julia to communicate how and when we can submit our grant application.

Low Income Households:

Need to develop a method of distributing a quantity of bags to low income households.

Timeline:

June – Newspaper article, signs at transfer station

July 1 – Deadline to sign contract with Waste Zero

September 1 – Grant proposal sent.

October 1 – PAYT Program Begins.

Next Meeting:

June 8, 2021 8:30 am