

PRCAC February 4th

Scott in attendance

- Questions about compost

- Are we able to re-initiate more broad composting practices?

- Are we able to have citizens load compost?

- Signing waiver is ok but not necessarily full coverage. Honour is on the vehicle to prove if RC damaged their car.

- If enough people were interested, may be able to push the town to support it.

- Citizens are currently allowed to load compost themselves with a shovel. We are not allowed to load for them.

- Previously when we were allowed to load, it would be gone within 6-8 weeks. Now it sits because folks don't want to load a pickup themselves

- Losing out on revenue if we were able to charge a flat loading fee. Scott would like to be able to do it for free anyway

- RC brought over compost to the community garden over the summer

- Town took a little bit over the summer as well

- Community service worker is 100% not covered by insurance. Court-mandated service not covered, volunteer is ok (example, student who needs community service hours)

- Decision to promote to the town that they are able to load. If there is an interest in RC loading for them, we will push that eventually

- Why don't we allow plastics of 3-7? Compost vs biodegradable?

- May create a short video or at least article to get the word out there

- Promote "Just because it is plastic doesn't mean it is recyclable"

- Five gallon bucket, may say number 2 but has an injection to make it rigid. NOT

RECYCLABLE

- Have video show repercussions of what the RC has to do if they don't recycle how they are supposed to

- Our bags are made from recycled plastic!

- Have information at Greenerborough. Which of these is recyclable?

- Helpful to have volunteers organize the swap shop?

- We've tried in the past but gave up. Volunteers just looking for items of interest themselves. Push back from the public.

- Tuesdays good day to volunteer after meeting?

- Scott will set up a time for him to educate us on how to work in the swap shop

- Items that have a fee attached are not allowed to be back in the swap shop. Working items are put out on a table IN the RC.

- Reach out the maker space about the working items.

- Items not allowed are already posted in the swap shop

- Furniture not allowed there because there is a fee attached. People are allowed to take furniture. Might need more outreach about that.

- Greenerborough May 23rd at ConVal

- Check with Bill about waiving the tabling fee

- Insurance certificate which the town should be able to provide insurance for us
- Run by Cornucopia this year
- Maybe we can produce something to share for Greenerborough?
 - Collaborate with other similar nonprofits/private businesses?
 - Produce a video for our booth?
- Earth Day April 22nd
 - Participating in litter clean up?
 - Public education at the center?
 - See what is going on that day already and figure out what we can do
- Waste oil is free to bring!
 - They use oil for highway garage has a waste oil burner

Next actions:

- Determine what Earth Day things are happening
- Start collaborating on what to include in promotional items
- Discuss swap shop planning details (after training)
- Bypass \$85 for Greenerborough tabling fee (Bill)
- Flyer just for plastics (reconnect in April)
- What parallel committees have additional funding from the town? (Eddie)
- Donate tote bags, screen print through the maker space? Fundraiser
 - Call to personal networks. We want tote bags if you have them!
- Reach out to Maggie's still (for Eddie)

Next Meeting March 3rd at 8:30 AM

Scott to show us how to volunteer at the swap shop