



## MANCHESTER BY THE SEA SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes 06/10/2021 7:00 PM online

Approved 9/16/2021

Attendees: Alison Anholt-White (Chair), Carley Cook, Dana Menon, Bella Wright, Nadia Wetzler

1. Approved the minutes from 5/13/2021 meeting
2. Update on Town's waste removal contract bidding. 3 companies submitted bids: Waste Management, Casella, JRM. Alison Anholt-White provided input on questions/concerns raised by the Sustainability Committee.
3. The Manager of Crosby's contacted Chuck Damm - they are running out of compostable meat trays as the vendor has stopped making them. If Crosby's can't get truly compostable materials they should try to get a BPI plant-based meat tray. Chuck will write a waiver.
4. Black Earth is currently fundraising to cover costs for proposed new composting facility in Manchester, to make up for the lost grant monies.
5. The Sustainability Committee should plan for a presence at upcoming events and/or plan our own events. Possibly form a sub-committee - Alison, Dana, and Bella volunteer.
6. We should review the language on the town-wide plastics ban, to see what the specific requirements are, and what, if any, methods are included for policing the ban.
7. Continue promotion of composting to new residents
8. Materials for upcoming Town Meetings are typically delivered by hand, in hard copy and in plastic bags, to all residents. Is there a greener alternative to this approach? Perhaps have pick-ups at convenient locations around town, with group drop-offs at locations like Newport Park, where residents might be less mobile.
9. Meeting with Selectmen in the fall?
10. Next Meeting Date: Thursday, September 16th, at 7pm.