

to be announced at a later time.

- + A summary of the volume of hazardous waste collections from 2002 through 2005.

Collections were down slightly in 2005 from 2002.

Volume was as follows: 2002 = 3021 cars.

2003 = 2354 cars.

2004 = 1725 cars

2005 = 2439 cars.

Total cost for 2005's collection by member towns was \$112,714.

- + A directory of recycling vendors which can be used by member towns.
- + A list of the current fees paid by residents for trash disposal and recycling in member towns
- + A list of the costs for curbside pickup in member towns.
- + An outline of the Material Separations Plan sponsored by SEMASS to divert mercury laden items from trash. Information on the program was sent directly to cities and towns in the SEMASS area.
- + Her testimony on behalf of proposed bottle bill legislation. Sullivan coordinated this testimony with other state-wide environmental organizations which supported the same provisions advocated by SSRC.
- + The 11<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Vendor Fair and Conference to be held Nov. 2, 2005 at the Worcester DCU Center.

**New Business:**

Joanne Dirk, chairman of the Norwell Recycling Committee displayed a copy of the school calendar sponsored by the Norwell Recycling Committee. The calendar uses illustrations which promote recycling and which were done by fourth and fifth graders.

Dirk was informed by Rosemary Nolan at the meeting that a DEP grant was approved for assistance in producing a 2006-2007 calendar.

Dirk also informed the SSRC board that Norwell is considering a no-idling by-law.

Nancy Kramer informed the board that Hull is considering a new trash haulers ordinance.

**Next Meetings:** Nov. 16, Cohasset Public Library. To be confirmed.

Dec. 14, Kingston Town Hall. To be confirmed.

Adjourn 11:05

Submitted by Pattie Hainer, SSRC Secretary



**SSRC MSW Manager/Board Minutes**  
**October 26, 2005, Hingham Public Library**

**Accepted 12/14/05**

Present: Cohasset: Merle Brown\*; Arthur Lehr\*; Hanover: Steve Herrmann\*; Hingham: Randy Sylvester; Holbrook: Ken Brown\*; Hull: Nancy Kramer\*; Kingston: Paul Basler; Norwell: Joanne Dirk\*, Pattie Hainer\*; Plymouth: Kerin Berry; Rockland: Stephen Nelson. Rosemary Nolan, DEP; Jason Bean, area manager, Abitibi Consolidated; Claire Sullivan, SSRC Executive Director.

\*Appointed Board Members.

Chairman Merle Brown called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

**Vendor Presentation: Paper Recycling.**

Jason Bean, area manager for Abitibi Consolidated, the world's largest producer of newsprint, explained the company's recycling opportunities. Abitibi, the name of an Indian tribe from Ontario, supplies some of the country's largest news organizations, The Boston Globe, The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, with newsprint.

In order to produce the newsprint, Abitibi operates a paper recycling program which provides 7 cubic yard closed containers to schools, churches, non-profit organizations, and other groups, for the collection of magazines, newspapers, paperback books, and office and copy paper. The containers which hold between 1 ½ to 2 tons of paper goods per container are placed free of charge and can earn the sponsoring organization from \$5 to \$20 per ton in fees. The fees are paid on a sliding scale with the heaviest collections receiving the largest rebates. The containers are picked up weekly and regularly maintained by Abitibi. Monthly reports on the weights which are collected are provided to the sponsoring organizations.

In 2004, Abitibi returned \$3 million dollars to the fund-raising groups which accepted their containers.

No contracts are required and containers are removed upon request.

Abitibi is also available for educational presentations in the schools on recycling.

**Minutes:**

The September meeting minutes were accepted as written.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The treasurer's report as explained by Joanne Dirk was accepted as presented. Current balance = \$66,248.87.

**Review of FY06 SSRC Plan:**

The plan outlines action items for the current fiscal year. Board members lauded Executive Director Claire Sullivan for the successful direction which she has provided to SSRC for the last seven years. Sullivan's seventh anniversary as executive director is the following week.

**Radio Ad Proposal:**

Sullivan proposed \$9,086 in radio advertising on a variety of recycling topics most of the cost of which she hoped would be paid for by SEMASS based on a proposal to be submitted by Sullivan. One of the radio presentations will be a contest with a car and a bike as top prizes.

**Executive Director's Report:**

Sullivan provided board members with information about:

- + Curbside recycling bins which are available for \$4.67 for an 18 gallon size. Orders are to be placed directly with the company but must be picked up at one of two locations