Recycling Committee Agenda – 12/19/19

Members: Councilor Holly Lasagna, Sharon Benoit, Dennis Connelly Sr., Ralph Harder, Silver Moore-Leamon, Rebecca Lloyd, Camille Parrish

The city council appointed the committee to <u>study, recommend, and report</u> on four areas listed below:

- 1. Identify the key impacts of the current recycling program;
- 2. Compare the current model with different models we could adopt;
- 3. Identify our current costs for recycling and compare with other municipalities which have adapted to the changing market; and
- 4. Create a public education and awareness campaign for the recommended changes.
- Welcome / Introductions
- Approve the minutes of 11/26/19
- Activity since the last meeting:
 - November 26th AVCOG Solid Waste Discussion
 - December 2nd City Council Update
 - December 5th Tour at Casella's
 - December 9th City Council approved term of members to May 1, 2020
 - December 12th ICMA Webinar Recycling is still broken
- Discuss Bates College Intern Program Camille and Holly
- Presentation by Lissa Bittermann EcoMaine
- 2020 Meeting Schedule:
 - January 9th Review Municipality Programs to include Waterville, Windham, Augusta, Saco, Sanford, South Portland, Lewiston, Biddeford, and Bangor; Discuss Bates application
 - January 23rd Special speaker South Portland Sustainability Director and begin making recommendations to Auburn's Recycling Program
 - **February 13th** Begin developing recommendations and make any budget recommendations to the city manager for consideration for the FY21 budget
 - February 27th Invite local representative to discuss LD1431
 - March 12th Create an Education Campaign strategy for Recycling in Auburn
 - **March 26th** Continuation of the Education Campaign and review a draft final report
 - **April 9th** Final Recommendations
 - April 20th Final Presentation to City Council