

# ecomaine

## Memorandum

**DATE:** September 9, 2021  
**TO:** Chair and Members of the Board  
**FROM:** Kevin H. Roche, CEO  
**SUBJECT:** Outreach & Recycling Committee Minutes – September 9, 2021

The **ecomaine** Outreach & Recycling Committee met September 9 via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Caleb Hemphill, Chairman.

1. Approval of Minutes
  - Rob Wood moved to approve May minutes, Erik Street seconded and all unanimously approved.
2. Judging of Recycling is a Work of Art painting contest  
The Committee unanimously approved the six winning entries:
  - Maddy Corson, Yarmouth (Maine Wildlife & Recycling)
  - Spenser MacLeod, Portland (3 R's & Zero Waste)
  - Taj Kaback, South Portland (Recycling & Nature)
  - Kavya Seshachar, Cape Elizabeth (3 R's & Wildlife with patterns)
  - Tricia Boyle, South Portland (Don't Litter / Recycle)
  - Opportunity Alliance's Maine Stay Program, South Portland (3 R's in Space)
3. Recap of FY21 & FY22 Update
  - Staff provided a recap of FY21, including grants and outreach & PR metrics, as well as an update on FY22 to-date.
4. Update – Recycling Tagging Program
  - Staff provided an update on the current tagging program, as well as the future of the initiative.
5. Looking Ahead to FY22
  - Staff provided an overview of the timeline for FY22's programming, including the Open House (cancelled), eco-Excellence Awards, the Upcycle Challenge, and FY22 School Recycling Grants.
6. Recycling Market Report & Contamination Update
  - Staff provided an overview of recent market activity and pricing for recyclable commodities and contamination tracking.
7. Other/New Business
  - Staff gave an overview of the recent recycling facility improvements to the drum feeder.

Jamie Garvin made the motion to adjourn at 5:13 p.m. Rob Wood seconded. All approved.

**Attendees:** Caleb Hemphill, Erik Street, Jamie Garvin, Rob Wood, Linda Boudreau, Dena Libner, Troy Moon

**Staff:** Matt Grondin, Lena Ives, Vanessa Berry, Katrina Venhuizen