

**Springettsbury Township  
Recycling Committee**

**MEETING MINUTES  
January 8, 2013**

**ATTENDEES**

Ron DiAngelo, Chairman; Charles Stuhre; Karen Swam; Mary Ann and Tom Sheffer; Penny Dellinger; William Schenck, Chairman of the Township Supervisors.

The committee met at the Penn Waste Recycling facility for a tour led by Ed Ward. Mr. Ward led the group through the process that is used at the facility for recycling the materials collected at curbside. The group was able to observe the collected recycled materials being brought and dropped off by the trucks. The materials were then moved over to the conveyor which mechanically sorts the single stream materials into paper and cardboard which were each then compacted and baled and then into plastic and glass bottles which were then sent by an overhead conveyor to another building where they were manually sorted, the glass loaded into a truck and plastics compacted and baled, both ready for shipment as were the paper and cardboard bales.

By seeing the operation and process used the group was able to understand such things as the importance of not using plastic bags to hold paper curbside because the plastic contaminates the paper and the importance of removing bottle caps as the caps prevent the bottles from being compacted for the bale.

The date of March 12, 2013 has been set for the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Dellinger