

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2009 MINUTES

June 11, 2009

Attendance: P. Margolin, D. Beatty, J. Wissler, G. Moretti, M. Srugis, M. Brown (TC liaison)

Agenda:

Housekeeping - BL2009, LAFA recycling, other (5)

**Status of plans for educating the public regarding the new solid waste collection plans (65):
Cable broadcasts, Town website, Londonderry Times letters, retail cart displays; also,
Gail's blog responses**

Discussion of new aspects of the program: recyclables, carts, multifamily units, ordinance impacts, etc. (20)

Minutes:

- Marty described problems with contamination of the large barrels at LAFA fields. He will plan to use bags to control this. Let's get an update at the next meeting.
- Note: Marty agreed to maintain a recycling can at the new Funway playground, at Gail's suggestion after the meeting. Let's see how this works out. This was spurred by a letter to the editor
- Carolyn has other meetings at this time, and will update us on the BL2009 results next time.
- Committee discussed the public education campaign:
 - The 40 minute broadcast with Dave, Doris, Paul and Joe Paradise went very well and is running 3x daily. Janusz also taped a 5 minute segment that's running multiple times/day.
 - We are getting lots of articles in the press about the program and public reaction.
 - Paul and Doris will work to prepare and distribute a set of 32 and 65 gallon containers to the 3 supermarkets and Rite Aid (done as of June 18) for public display by the entrances.
 - Limited Waste information is posted on the Town website.
 - Paul gathered committee inputs (and submitted a Q&A piece to the 3 newspapers.)
 - The committee discussed overflow options. Paul and John will represent the Committee at the Monday 6/15 public hearing on overflow handling (done; a 2nd hearing is scheduled for June 22; Paul wrote an email to the Council explaining our position on overflow fees and means testing)
 - Gail is planning a block leader meeting for June 23 at 7:00 at Town Hall. Members are invited to attend.
 - Each committee member took a portion of the Buried Treasure home to update. Edits should be sent to Doris as soon as possible, but no later than by the next meeting on July 9.