

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
July 14, 2011
Secretary: Duane Himes**

Committee Attendance: Paul Margolin, Gary Stewart, Dave Kelly, Gail Moretti, Marty Srugis, Duane Himes, and Bob Kerry (DPW Liaison)

Others: Kelsey Enright, DPW Intern from LHS

Meeting started at 7:00 PM

Agenda

Housekeeping: (20)

Acceptance of minutes

Drop Off Center status - Bob

ALAC status - Paul

Welcome Sign status - Paul

Open Space status - Marty

BL 2011 summary - Paul (10)

Gotbooks - Paul & Bob (10)

The state of waste mgt & recycling - Duane & Bob (30)

New recycling opportunities- Paul (20)

Allied Waste added items

No Bin No Barrel system

Environmental coalition exploration- Paul (10)

- Acceptance of Minutes:
 - Minutes from the June meeting were accepted unanimously.
- Marty Srugis (liaison) gave an update on the Open Space Task Force. The Task Force is looking into the following:
 - Open space use.
 - Stewardship plan for open space care.
 - Marty completed his work with the Open Space Task Force and has now joined the Master Plan Committee that is looking into future growth and how it will affect solid waste issues in Town.
- Bob Kerry said that the drop off center is operating well.
- Gary Stewart is the liaison to the Anti-litter Action Committee (ALAC). Paul gave a run down of what the committee is up to and how the committee's presentation to the Town Council on 07/11/2011 went. The ALAC appears to be

working well on its own and has gathered support from the Police and Town Council.

- Paul spoke on the status of the Welcome to Londonderry signs and said that one of the landscapers went out of business so he found two new landscapers to perform maintenance at the two signs that the old landscaping company was doing. The new signs for the new landscapers have been installed.
- Paul spoke on the Got Books containers in Town. It appears that the container at Town hall has been filling up rapidly. Paul and Bob looked into the matter and discovered that the library has been putting books into the container at least twice a week during the summer months. There was a discussion regarding getting an additional container for the library since they have so many books that they go through. Paul and Bob will look into the possibility of an additional book container.
- Paul gave a short slide show on how well Beautify Londonderry 2011 had gone. There were increases in the number of groups and the number of volunteers that participated this year. There were more donations than expenses. Overall, BL 2011 was a success.
- Paul discussed a new recycling opportunity that has been put forth by Republic (Allied Waste). They are now accepting numbers 1 through 7 plastics. Also, they are accepting large plastic items such as playhouses and plastic toys. Styrofoam cannot be recycled as well as used oil containers. Gail indicated that she would look into the size requirements for the larger plastic items.
- The committee reviewed a recycling program that was instituted in East Providence, RI. Paul asked the committee to think of ways that we might be able to increase recycling in Londonderry.
- The committee discussed the recycling of compact fluorescent lights (CFLs).
- Paul would like to have all committees that deal with the environment in Londonderry to get together to discuss environmental issues and to exchange ideas.
- Meeting ended at 9:00 PM.