

**SOLID WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
September 12, 2013  
(DC Himes)**

Committee Attendance: Paul Margolin, Gary Stewart, Duane Himes, and Bob Kerry (DPW Liaison).

Others: None

Meeting started at 7:05 PM

**Agenda**

Housekeeping & Misc (10)

Acceptance of minutes All  
Status of columns Paul  
Status of videos Gary, Paul  
(Wolfeboro process Duane)  
Football equipment Marty / Bob to identify equipment  
Buried Treasure update All – Now due

Main topics: (80)

Update on plans for next contracts Bob (+ plastics & solvent & motor oil container recycling)  
Update on propane tanks Bob (feedback on propane recycling)  
CFL Communication Paul, committee  
NRRRA Conference Bob, Duane

October:

DES Haz Waste site grants Paul

**Housekeeping**

Acceptance of Minutes:

Minutes from the June meeting were reviewed and approved.

**Miscellaneous**

- The Londonderry Times printed the articles that Paul wrote on What to Recycle in June and Plastic Bottles in August. Paul is working on an article regarding CFLs.
- Vinnie is working on the update to the HHW video. He went to the Derry HHW day on May 11, 2013 with some students to film a revamped HHW video. He is also planning on visiting the HHW day on November 23, 2013 to get additional footage. The only video not completed is the one on what to do with items from your home that he is working on with Gary Stewart.

- Duane is still working on getting information from the HHW facility in Wolfeboro. Here are some of the questions that we need answers to:
  1. Are there any problems that need to be fixed
  2. Cost to maintain the facility
  3. Costs to start up a HHW facility
  4. What are the environmental concerns
  5. Pros and cons of the facility
- Bob spoke with Republic (Allied) to see if any of the items can be recycled. The Republic representative said that he would take all equipment and what he cannot recycle he would find associations that will accept it as a donation.
- A majority of the sections of the Buried Treasure have been updated by the Committee members. There are a few sections that are left to be finished.
- Paul discussed the Central Vermont Solid Waste District's school clean out event at the end of the school year and whether or not the committee thought that it might work in the Londonderry School District.

### **Main Topics**

- Bob said that he spoke with Republic about single stream recycling for the new contract as well as other topics that might be considered in the new solid waste contract. There are mixed reviews whether single stream recycling is really worth the 2 to 3 percent increase in recycling rate vs. the issue of contamination of recycling materials when they are placed in the same container. Bob said Republic said there are no new technologies coming down the road as far as recycling.
- Bob discussed the recycling of propane tanks. The drop off center is now taking both large and small propane tanks. The cost for recycling the 20 lb. tanks is \$4 each and the small green propane tanks are free.

Meeting ended at 8:20 PM.