

**SOLID WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
June 11, 2015  
(DC Himes)**

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

Others: Kerri Stanley

Meeting started at 7:00 PM

**Agenda**

**Housekeeping & Misc. (20)**

Acceptance of minutes	All
New Contracts	Bob
Charlestown plant visit	All
Welcome Signs	Paul, Duane
Coca Cola Outreach	Marty
Arsenic well water outreach	Paul
Other news	

**Main topics: (70)**

Beautify Londonderry	Kerri Stanley
Mercury lamps (plan for businesses)	Paul & Bob
Pettengill Rd. Welcome Sign	Paul

**Next week:**

Recycling Videos	Vinnie Curro
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**Housekeeping & Misc**

**Acceptance of Minutes:**

The minutes from the May meeting were reviewed and approved

- Bob said that there was nothing new to report on the next RFP that will be going out within the year for the solid waste collection contract.
- Paul and Duane discussed their trip to the Casella single stream recycling facility. The tour was good and was enlightening as to all there goes into the recycling effort.
- Bob and Duane attended the NRRRA conference in Manchester, NH. Bob spoke about a roundtable seminar that he attended on single stream recycling containers and the volume of contamination found in the larger containers. Bob said that recycling is changing due to the decreased volume of paper, which reduces the weight.

- Paul discussed the welcome signs, especially the sponsor signs and replacing the damaged signs as well as the landscaper signs. The signs were looked at and several signs need to be redone. Duane will replace the signs, one wooden sign post and look into using stainless steel bolts to attach the signs to the posts. Paul said that Kevin Smith requested that a welcome sign be placed at the new entrance to Pettengill Road where it intersects the airport access road. The committee discussed this issue and also the possibility of getting a second sign as a replacement should any of the signs need to be replaced.
- Paul spoke about arsenic in the drinking water in Londonderry. Paul said that he spoke with Kathrin Lawlor who is the new Community Engagement Coordinator for the Dartmouth College Superfund Research Program. Kathrin would like to set up a table at the drop off center to pass out information on testing your well for arsenic.

### **Main Topics**

- Kerri Stanley from Beautify Londonderry (BL) discussed what happened during BL 2015. Over all, BL was a success with there being a larger number of volunteers and volunteer groups this year than last year. Sponsor donations were more than last year. Kerri stated that there is a need for more BL committee members since a few have left and there have been no new members. The work load is getting to be too much. She said it would be nice to get some younger members. The committee discussed this and Paul gave her a few suggestions on how to try and get more volunteers and how to try to get the schools more involved.
- Paul and Bob discussed the small business recycling program for fluorescent bulbs and tubes and its current status. Bob and Paul plan to speak to the Rotary Club in June and the Derry/Londonderry Chamber of Commerce in July about recycling fluorescent lights. They did a run through of their presentation.

Meeting ended at 9:00 PM.