### SOLID WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES March 12, 2015 (DC Himes)

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

Others: Mark Gallo, nursing student at Creighton University, studying community health

Meeting started at 7:00 PM

## Agenda

Housekeeping & Misc (20)	
Acceptance of minutes	All
Republic Scholarships	Paul
New Contracts	Bob
Single Stream Plant Visit	Paul
Minutes Update Process	Duane
Other News	

Main topics: (70) Mercury Lamps (Plan for Businesses) Waste Oil Video (tentative) Goals for 2015

Paul & Bob Vinny Curro Group

Future months: Haz Waste collection sites New Solid Waste Videos

Paul Vinny Curro: March – Waste Oil Video April – HHW Day Video May – D/O Center Video

# Housekeeping & Misc

#### Acceptance of Minutes:

The revised minutes from the February meeting were reviewed and approved

- Paul reported that Republic Services and the school district found an acceptable way to get the money for the scholarships to Londonderry HS students.
- 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. Bob did say that the DPW is getting proposal for vendors for the disposal of materials from the Drop Off Center.
- The committee had a discussion on what single stream containers might look like should that be the decision for the new waste collection contract.
- Paul talked about the field visit to a single stream recycling plant at Casella's facility in Charlestown, MA. The committee is trying to set up a date for that visit. Hopefully it will be on a Saturday in April.

• Duane talked about a process for making edits to the meeting minutes so that there would an internal deadline for changes so the meeting minutes only need one revision.

## Main Topics

- Vinny Curro was not able to make the meeting, so his presentation will be at a future date.
- Paul and Bob discussed the topic of using the drop off center as a location where local businesses could drop off their fluorescent bulbs that contain mercury. Paul handed out a timeline to start this process, to get proper approvals through the Town government, and to get the Drop Off Center ready for mercury bulb acceptance. Bob stated that the presentation to the Town Council and Town Manager may not happen until April. The program is expected to be implemented in late June or July.

#### Future Months

 Paul discussed the topic of the possibility of a regional household hazardous collection site in Londonderry. Paul has been talking with Dean Robinson of the New Hampshire DES. He said that there are four similar facilities in New Hampshire (Keene, Goffstown, Nashua, and Wolfeboro). Each of these facilities operates differently depending on the demand from the public. Paul said that Dean went over advantages and disadvantages of setting up and operating such a facility.

Advantages: Easier drop off of HHW, total disposal costs are known due to weight being known, and having a swap shop for some items.

Disadvantages: Costs for facility set up and construction, employee training, winter time coverage

Meeting ended at 8:30 PM.