SOLID WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES January 14, 2016 (DC Himes)

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

Others: None

Meeting started at 7:00 PM

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Housekeeping & Misc. (10)

Acceptance of minutes All

Membership Renewal All

Going Green Columns Paul/Duane

Other news

Main topic: (80)

New Contract Plans Bob

Action Items from last mtg. Committee

HHW Day Bob

Membership Drive Committee

Beautify Londonderry Committee

Fluorescent Recycling Committee

Housekeeping & Misc

Acceptance of Minutes:

The minutes from the December meeting were reviewed and approved

 Paul said that both his and Gary's committee appointment renewals were approved at the December 21st Town Council meeting. Duane's renewal will be approved at the January Town Council meeting. All three appointments will be for a three year term. Paul wrote an article on how to pick out a Christmas tree for the Going Green column. However, it did not make it into the Londonderry Times prior to Christmas. We will place in the Times next year. Paul also wrote an article on what to do with used batteries. That article will be in the Times shortly. Duane is looking into preparing an article on the changing solid waste industry and what solid waste trends might be like in the future.

Main Topics

- Bob said that the DPW has finalized their review of the three bids for the solid waste and recycling proposal. The DPW has chosen Waste Management as the vendor that will be handling the solid waste and recycling contracts for the next five years. The biggest changes will be to the recycling contract. The changes include automated recycling collection using a 96 gallon single stream container, similar to the automated solid waste collection now in use. Also, recycling collection schedule will be every other week. Cardboard will now be required to be placed in the 96 gallon container (2' x 2') and will no longer need to be bundled.
- The committee went over a list of actions items that each committee member is working on. Most of the action items have been completed.
- The Exit 4 Welcome Sign has been relocated along Route 102 and the sponsor sign was relocated as well. However, it was indicted that the sponsor sign has been removed and no one knows what happened to it. Paul will check with Wendy's to see what happened to it.
- Paul and Bob discussed Household Hazardous Waste collection day and the
 volume of traffic they experienced. It was suggested that there may be a need to
 have more table space available to drop off wastes so that the line of vehicles
 can keep moving and not back up.
- The committee discussed membership issues and how can we get more citizens
 of Londonderry involved in the committee as well as Beautify Londonderry. Kerri
 Stanley is stepping down as chairmen of Beautify Londonderry and will need to
 find a successor. Paul will update the ad and the committee will discuss it at the
 February meeting.

Meeting ended at 8:40 PM.