

**SOLID WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
February 11, 2016
(DC Himes)**

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

Others: None

Meeting started at 7:00 PM

Agenda

Housekeeping & Misc (15)

Acceptance of minutes	All
Going Green Columns	Paul / Duane
Old Batteries	
What's new in solid waste	
Drug Take-back program	
Other news	All
Sponsor signs at Exit 4	

Main topics: (75)

Action Items from last mtg.	Committee
New contract plans	Bob
Rules / Instructions?	
Membership Drive	Committee
Beautify Londonderry	Committee
Fluorescent Recycling	Committee

Housekeeping & Misc

Acceptance of Minutes:

The minutes from the January meeting were reviewed and approved

- 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.
- Paul said that Chief Hart and the LPD are on board to set up a drug take back kiosk in the LPD building sometime this spring. Paul is also looking into the possibility of the LPD also setting up an area for the drop off of sharps.
- Paul stopped by Wendy's to speak with the manager to see if she knew what happened to the sponsor signs that were at the Welcome to Londonderry sign in

front of Wendy's. She said that Wendy's did not remove the signs. Paul will check with the NHDOT to see if they may have removed the signs.

Main Topics

- Paul went through the following action list:

Bob:

- Establish a link on the DPW homepage for Small Businesses to learn about the Fluorescent Lamp / Thermostat Recycling program. PRIORITY
- Contact IT to arrange for making the 3 new Solid Waste videos available ON DEMAND on the DPW homepage (Tom Hodge).
- Add PowerPoint file on Small Business Fluorescent Lamp Recycling to the DPW homepage
- Find out if rubber carts can be recycled
- The committee discussed format and content of the cards at the meeting.

Duane:

- Find a flyer on safe "flushables" to be put on the Env'l Svcs homepage.
- Checking into which sponsor signs need to be replaced at the Welcome sign at Wendy's and looking into how and where they can be placed as to not interfere with NHDOT operations.

Paul:

- Check with the LPD on their planned medicine drop off program (Mar/Apr kickoff) to help publicize.
 - Update draft of letter to the editor on the new recycling program - HOLD
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- Paul and Bob went over the article in the newspaper regarding the new solid waste and recycling contracts. There were some items in the article that were incorrect. Paul suggested Bob contact the paper to correct the errors. However, Bob stated that the article was already six weeks old, and there would be many future opportunities to get the correct information to the public as we ramp up the public education and announcements for the new recycling program. Otherwise, there was nothing new regarding the new contracts.
 - 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 chairman 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.
 - The committee reviewed the recycling fluorescent lamps flyer and Bob made a few suggestions for changes to the layout.

Meeting ended at 8:40 PM.

