

**SOLID WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
May 10, 2021**

Committee Attendance: Lynn Wiles, Joy Muller, John Mahon, Duane Himes, and Bob Kerry (DPW liaison).

Others: None

Meeting started at 7:10 PM. The meeting was conducted virtually.

Agenda: May 10, 2021

I. Call to Order

II. Administrative Board Work

a. Approval of April Minutes

III. Old Business

a. New residents' program

b. Beautify Londonderry

c. Social Media news and planning

d. SWEC Website

1) Going Green columns

e. Adopt-A-Road

IV. New Business

a. None

V. Other Business

a. Action Register

b. Round table discussion

VI. Adjournment

Acceptance of April 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes – Meeting minutes were accepted by the committee unanimously.

Old Business

- Lynn started the meeting by going over the COVID-19 protocol regulations for conducting a virtual meeting and then took attendance as required.
- Joy talked about Beautify Londonderry (BL). She indicated that resident participation was very good. Joy said that there were approximately 200 bags of trash that had been collected over the entire BL time frame. Several groups had their own clean-up/planting programs such as the Kings neighborhood. Joy

indicated that all went well over the three weekends. The committee thanked Joy for stepping up and organizing BL for this year.

- Bob said that BL spent about \$3,000 to \$3,500 on expenses associated with BL.
- Lynn was interested in how we might be able to reinvest in BL. Joy indicated that BL was going to meet this week to go over what had occurred in BL. The solid waste committee thanked Joy for stepping up to run the program and make it a success.
- John also talked about BL. John Loker, who has taken part in BL for the last several years told John that this year he saw a spark in the people who were involved.
- John sent Bob a list of new residents for March 2021 and Bob said that the DPW would get info out to those new residents.
- There was nothing new on the social media front.
- Bob said that there are 25 copies of the laminated pizza box flyer in the DPW office. He said that committee members could stop by at any time to pick up flyers to hand them out to other pizza businesses so they could post them in their stores.
- Lynn asked the committee to review the Going Green columns that he had assigned for accurate information.
- Bob talked about the Adopt A Road program and now that the pandemic is winding down. Lynn suggested he have a face-to-face meeting with DPW staff to discuss starting up the program. Bob will set up a meeting time.

New Business

- Duane talked about the waste oil collection program and its restart on May 1st. He indicated that things appear to be back to normal as far as the residents are concerned. Approximately 200 gallons were collected.
- Bob said that the pizza box flyers can be picked up at the DPW office.
- There was a roundtable discussion among the committee. The following items were discussed:
 1. Lynn sent out letters to all the landscapers of the Welcome to Londonderry signs to let them know they could start the plantings.
 2. There was talk about the LAFA fields recycling/waste issues and the problems that they have. Everyone felt that this issue needed more thought and discussion. John suggested maybe looking into solar powered compactors or asking Waste Management for some input.
 3. Bob will look into the present diversion rates in Town.
 4. There was talk about going back to in person meetings.
 5. There will be no meeting in July. The next meeting after that would be on August 9th.

Actions (Updated from meeting)

Bob:

1. Obtain current recycle diversion rates.
2. Restart efforts for Adopt a Road
3. Check with WM re: solar powered compactors

Lynn:

1. Assign SWEC website content editing to the committee based on priorities identified by analytics. Still working.
2. Contact Bosch Thermontronics regarding "Adopt-a-Road". Still working.

Meeting was adjourned at about 8:30.

Next meeting on June 14, 2021.

There was a motion adjourn the meeting made by John and second by Joy.

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