Minutes

Durham Integrated Waste Management Advisory Committee (IWMAC)

Present: Julie Newman, Jessie McKone, Tracy Wood, Richard Gallant, Diana Carroll,

- Minutes from 9-6-2002 meeting approved.
- TRANSFER STATION: Merle and Jessie commented of design plans for the new transfer station including: (a) traffic flow, (b) employee comfort, (c) "lids" vs. compacting truck, (d) location of metal/refrigerant piles. Schedule at this time is suspected as bidding in Nov/Dec. Construction/closure for April 2003.
- COASTAL CLEAN-UP: the Ocean Conservancy Coastal Clean-up officially sanctions The Durham site. The clean-up was a success. Sites cleaned: Mill Pond, Jackson Landing, Beard's Creek, and Durham Landing. The clean-up was attended by ~80 people and over 400 pounds collected.
- ORHS: Dale and Jessie met with Blaine and ORHS facilities director, Tim Knowles on Sept Thurs.19, 2002 at the ORHS. Two students, Anuj Minocha and Megan Ward also attended the meeting. Topics included collection receptacles in the halls and classrooms, and routing of the recyclables. Tim will write up some official policy and procedures. IWMAC discussion included: recycling rates at schools? Will this focus of Blaine and Tim spread to the Middle School and Elementary school? What about expanding past the paper/can programs to other items, e.g.. small batteries....as students use LOTS of batteries.
- SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE: The document was sent back to PW from the Town Counselor rework on one issue: bulky waste and the multi-unit apartments and how can the price structure handle this issue fairly? IWMAC Town Counsel wants scales. How can IWMAC get-together with PW/Mike and Todd and see how we can help with this issue. Jessie highly recommended this past Sunday's Foster on Solid Waste in NH (and also recommended PAYT). The rates for electronics were okay.
- SWAP SHOP: SO far so good. Goods are exceeding designated area. Next plan is to meet with all the volunteers. Always looking for more volunteers. We got several more sign-ups from Durham Days.
- DURHAM DAYS: Jessie and Tracy attended with help from Diana Woods. The display was successful with lots of visitors to the table. The DES Mobil Recycling Unit was also on location and heavily promoted and used.
- OCTOBER CONFERENCE: November Friday 8th Saturday 9th, 2002, Grassroots Environmental Activist Workshop and Conference..email Julie if you are interested in attending. DES has some grants available.
- GREEK SYSTEM: There was a meeting between town's people and university discussing issues of trash and brainstorming how can town regulate trash problems at Greeks and apartments. Todd is working on a system to enforcement of current regulations, and working Tom Johnson (Code Enforcement Officer) to set details. Julie will follow-up.
- IWMAC needs another member. This has been broadcasting on Channel 22 and will be noticed in the newsletter.
- OTHER: Where is our Council rep? Who is our Council rep? Julie talked with Mal, Diane talked with Todd. Discussion: Julie will talk (follow-up) with Todd about assigning a rep.
- NEWSLETTER: Jessie and Merle have been hard at work. Today was the last day for any corrections. Printing dates: Oct 3rd-4th, 2002. Folding party will start Oct. 7th-9th in town offices 7:30AM-Noon
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- NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 25th, 7:30AM FRIDAY
- Handouts: residential clean-up, wireless world, Hazardous Waste Day Nov.16th,2002.