

## Durham Integrated Waste Management Advisory Committee

Present: Tracy Wood, Chair; Diana Carroll; John Kraus; Neal Ferris; Doug Bullen; Jessie McKone and Merle Craig, recorders.

Agenda Topics below correspond to numbered paragraphs that follow:

1. Welcome Visitors
  2. Approve minutes of last meeting
  3. Public Works
  4. Durham Town Issues relating to IWMAC
  5. Swap Shop Update
  6. Ongoing Issues/ New Ideas
  7. Next meeting
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1. Richard Gallant was present at the meeting.
2. The minutes of the 6-14-04 meeting were approved with corrections.
3. **Spring Cleanup:** Doug Bullen reported that the Town of Newmarket saved about \$12,000 by changing from the traditional Spring Cleanup of curbside pick-up to opening their transfer station for a week and one additional Saturday. The committee liked this general idea. Doug suggested allowing 1 pick-up truck full per household. People would be identified at the Transfer Station in some way, or coupons could be sent out in the Newsletter.

This past spring, more than 100 houses had more than one truckload of waste out for pick-up. Currently there is no language that limits the amount one can put out for Spring Cleanup.

The previous week Public Works tested a single stream, side packer with full compaction. This holds more than the truck we are currently using. Comments from all concerned with it at Public Works have been positive. A new recycling truck needs to be purchased soon since the one in current use is failing. Both trucks new would cost less than a dual collection vehicle, which also requires 2 people to run and requires resorting of paper and cardboard.

**Landfill Update:** The rails at the landfill will be up soon. Some minor remediation is to be done in one area. Clarification on some signage is being worked out.

**Monthly Data:** Doug handed out the recycling data for June.

4. **Budget Request:** IWMAC will make a budget request for 2005 equal to our 2004 request.

**Recycling Issues:** Tracy and Merle will write a paragraph to present to the planning board to remind them of the committee's desire to require recycling pick-up in all private road developments.

**School Update:** Committee members will meet with school representatives in August.

5. **Swap Shop Update:** Jessie questioned whether the items outside the Swap Shop were O.K. Doug felt that the bike rack was good, but doesn't want any other items lying around outside. The idea of having volunteers help pitch and clean on closed days was OKed by Doug. This will alleviate overcrowding of the Swap Shop. Using color codes to date large items could be tried. A similar effort was tried earlier with little success, but perhaps would work better now that the Swap Shop has been running a while, has a building, and has a group of regular volunteers.
6. **IWMAC intentions w/Dee Henley and UN H Community Service:** Tracy will try to connect with the Student Service and Leadership Program at UNH to determine how IWMAC may help in project RENU next year.

**IWMAC Membership:** Jessie will call the UNH Office of Sustainability Programs to see if there is anyone who would like to be on the committee.

**Video:** Tracy has written up one video. It will start at the curb, go to the transfer station, detail recycling, talk about the sticker system and tour the Swap Shop. Dave White, a DCAT intern, may be available to help with editing.

**Wastewater Pipeline:** Neal Ferris spoke of the proposed district wastewater pipe and suggested that we invite Emma Rous, a member of the environmental committee of the State Legislature and Bob Levesque, Town Engineer, to brief us on it. It was suggested that we notify the general public so that those interested could hear them speak as well. Neal noted that a construction firm was involved in doing the feasibility study for the project. A special meeting with no other agenda items was decided upon, to be held July 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am.

**Fall Newsletter:** Jessie asked people to bring ideas for topics for newsletter articles to the next regular meeting. She and Merle will work on a timeline to show committee members. The annual Fall Clean Up is one certain topic. Diana would like to highlight why throwing things away is not free.

**Other Issues:** Some agenda topics will be carried forward to the next regular meeting due to time constraints.

7. **Next Meeting:** Dates have been set for the next **two** IWMAC meetings, both of which will be held at Town Hall at 7:30 am: **August 16 and September 13.** The meeting adjourned at 9:25 am.