

Durham Integrated Waste Management Advisory Committee

Present: Tracy Wood, chair; Merle Craig; Dale Valena; Shelley Mitchell; Neal Ferris; Crescentia True; Amy Cunningham; John Kraus, Town Council Rep.; Doug Bullen, Public Works; Jessie McKone, recorder

Also present: resident Julian Smith

The minutes of the 7-6-05 meeting were approved with minor changes that Shelley will handle.

Agenda Topics directly below correspond to numbered paragraphs, which follow:

1. Yearly calendar and meeting dates
2. Goals and Objectives through 2006
3. Durham Landlords Meeting
4. Durham Day
5. Fall newsletter
6. Solid Waste Ordinance
7. Green Building initiative
8. Spring Clean Up
9. Waste water pipe update
10. Swap Shop idea
11. Field trip to plastics plant
12. Recycling at public events
13. Marketing plan, evaluating committee activities
14. Recycling on private ways
15. Education Day at Transfer Station
16. Other

Prior to the start of our agenda, resident, Julian Smith asked to have a few minutes to display the array of trash that he has picked up along the road during walks near his home. He came to reiterate his request to IWMAC that the committee **address solutions to roadside litter**. Public outreach to citizens and "take-out" businesses may be part of the process. Trash that gets caught up in poison ivy is particularly troublesome. The deposit of phone books along roadways is a related problem.

1. Tracy handed out a monthly plan of committee activities to which additions and deletions were made. It was decided to try to have a standard meeting date each month. **The first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 am was selected.** Committee members are encouraged to mark calendars accordingly. Shelley volunteered to make a sample agenda for the calendar year to help with tracking and organization. Guests wanting to attend our meetings will also be aided by these organizational steps.
2. Shelley provided a copy of the annual Town Council goals and action statements and suggested we consider their goals when developing further goals and plans for the committee. **Committee**

members are encouraged to read over the handout and reflect on the possibilities. A more detailed list of Town Council goals is available on the Durham web site.

3. An IWMAC planning group will meet on August 30th (7:30 am) to consider issues of joint concern to IWMAC and the Durham Landlords Association. Tracy will get the date for the next DLA meeting in September. **Tracy, Doug, Amy, Crescentia and others will plan to attend the next DLA meeting.** We should plan for ongoing lines of communication and express that DLA members are welcome to attend IWMAC meetings, too. Both committees may want to plan for further input into the UNH commuter guide**. Until the Spring Clean Up research group devises a plan for public input on the subject of Spring Clean Up it will be difficult to say how it will be conducted next Spring. IWMAC acts as advisory to Public Works and the Town Council, but it will be the Town Council that ultimately decides whether Spring Clean Up is retained and if so, when it will be conducted. The next meeting date for the Spring Clean Up research group will be established soon. (**The new "Community Guide for UNH Students Living in the NH Seacoast Area" is available at the front desk at Town Hall and at the Off-Campus Office.)

4. Most committee members will be available to attend **Durham Day** on Sunday September 18 from 1-4 pm. In addition to our usual displays, we will have information about the Green Buildings Initiative. Further planning for who will bring tables or other educational materials can take place at our next meeting September 6th.

5. Merle and Jessie shared a layout for the 8-page **fall newsletter**. Ideas for topics were discussed and the following has been established: **Tracy** - plastics recycling; **Doug and Shari** - Fall Clean Up information, trash can guidelines and other PW news; **Crescentia** - interview of UNH student composters; **Merle and Amy** - precycling; **Merle** - green buildings and editing; **Neal** - wastewater pipe update; **Jessie** - Swap Shop and Did You Know section, also layout, editing and photos; **Dale** - school recycling (purchase of recycled paper) and Durham Day; **Shelley** - info on newsletter folding options. **Article drafts should be e-mailed to Jessie by September 2nd** (except for issues like Durham Day that don't even occur until mid September). Jessie and Merle will return articles with suggested editing. Final editing and layout will occur starting September 19. October 4-7 will be devoted to printing and October 11-14 will be devoted to folding, addressing and mailing.

6. Jessie asked for input about a draft for **revisions in regulations of the Solid Waste Ordinance**. It was decided to take input via e-mail as to the wording and to ask Todd Selig for his views on the suggestions so far.

7. Merle stated that the **Green Building Initiative** group has requested a spot on the Planning Board Agenda for Wednesday August 10th to inform the board of our purpose and plans. The initiative group has made numerous contacts with professionals dealing with Green Buildings and there are plans to organize a couple of public presentations on the subject starting in October, with dates TBA. Dale, Jessie and Merle will attend the Planning Board meeting. Others are welcome to attend.

8. **Spring Clean Up** - this topic was only discussed as it related to topic #3 above. A full agenda precluded discussion but further discussion will take place within the Spring Clean Up research group. The next meeting is TBA.