

Palmer Township ESC – Meeting Minutes

Environmental Steering Committee

July 25, 2012 (Rev. 11/8/12)

Attendees: Rob Reese, Chris Briglia, John Olock, Bob Lammi, Rob Natkie, Nancy Nicholas

Meeting opened: 7:06 PM

Approval Of Minutes: June 27, 2012 minutes have revisions. Not approved due to lack of quorum.

Guests: Adam Klingenbeck (Mascaro)

Hauler Report: (1) There were no serious issues. A couple of missed stops were picked up later the same day. (2) Adam suggested green as a future refuse/recycling container color for the Township.

Recycling Coordinator Report: (1) Cindy O. was absent.

Old Business: (1) The ESC questioned the recycling center steps repair status. (2) Bob Lammi mentioned that the BOS will decide which hauling contractor wins the bid at one of the two BOS meetings after the bid opening. (3) Rob N. mentioned that the bid opening will be on August 6, 2012 at 2:30pm. (4) Rob N. mentioned hauling companies that have experience with side loading and that have extra back-up equipment. (5) Rob R. gave credit to Rob N. for offering his advice, expertise and suggestions during the contract renewal process. (6) We need to educate the public regarding the cash amount for recycling material and eliminate all recyclable material from the waste stream. (7) There were some container specification questions and questions of whether or not we will still separate recycling material for drop off at the recycling center.

New Business: (1) Rob R. stated that the Community Days event set-up is scheduled for Wednesday Aug. 15, 2012 at 1:00pm. Greenstar will provide brochures for public education. We will have a refuse/recycling toter container at the tent. Tom D. will provide recycling event information and law updates for public education. We will try to coordinate with other vendors to be more "green". (2) Bob L. mentioned the re-zoning of the north end of the Township. He said the proposed buildings and construction will require large stormwater management systems. He stressed that the Township needs better water quality and requested the ESC to research the current stormwater management requirements to improve the water quality standards in Palmer Township. (3) Chris B. mentioned the water quality standards in NJ. (4) Bob L. did not feel as though the Township had to be as strict with their standards as NJ. (5) Rob R. questioned the swale maintenance at the Chrin Center as it appears that all vegetation is routinely removed from it. Bob L. said he would look into it.

Announcements: The BOS will meet on August 13, 2012 and it was recommended that ESC members attend.

Adjournment: 8:05pm motion to adjourn meeting.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for August 22, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Township Library conference room. *Minutes submitted by Chris Briglia August 22, 2012. Minutes revised and re-submitted 11/8/12 by Chris Briglia.*