

DERRY BOROUGH COUNCIL
Town/Public Meeting
Refuse and Recycling
August 20, 2012 6:30 P.M.

Derry Borough Council met for a Town Meeting/Public Hearing Monday, August 20, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. at the Derry Community Center AV Germano Hall, 100 West Second Street, Derry, PA with the following members present: John McCreary, presiding, John Patrick, and Secretary, Lori Latta. Mayor Dave Bolen was present. Marie McCandless, Latrobe Bulletin and Jeff Himler, Tribune Review were reporting.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

1. Fred Goodman – 121 W. Third St., Derry – Can yard waste be thrown away in garbage? Mr. Horan explained that grass and twigs that are contained or tied together can be disposed of.
2. Alan Skopp – 125 W. Third Avenue, Derry – Inquired if he will be able to maintain a 1yd commercial dumpster as he has had in the past? A Waste Management representative explained that they would work with him and refer to him as a commercial customer.
3. Jim and Patty Clark – 119 Park St., Derry Inquired about containers that may blow away, will Waste Management replace them? Also they inquired about people who will not pay their bill or not participate. It was explained that all residents will need to participate in order to make this effective.
4. Don McGraw – W. Third St., Derry – Inquired about services for his daughter and his residents combined. They would each have their own service as separate residents of the borough.
5. Ellen Keefe – Westmoreland Cleanways
6. Kathy Stauffer – Derry – Inquired about how many bags will be included in the service and will large items be included? She also inquired about if there will be any additional fuel costs included in the bill? Mr. Horan answered her questions satisfactorily as discussed in the summary below.
7. Jeffrey Horan – Waste Management District Manager
8. Al Pasquarelli – Waste Management
9. Ray Herman – Waste Management

Randy McCreary opened the meeting with a summary regarding Refuse and Recycling Contracted Services for Derry Borough.

In response to Kathy Stauffer's question, Jeffrey Horan, Waste Management District Manager explained that there is a fuel formula which will be reviewed annually to incorporate any fuel adjustments, which will be incorporated in the monthly charge if necessary. He explained that Waste Management is accommodating to additional bags occasionally from customers, and they don't typically count bags from customers. He did remind the public that the Single Stream Recycling Program will eliminate a lot of garbage, which customers will see less garbage in their containers.

Mr. Horan showed the public the recycling container that will be in place. They are heavy duty, durable, and have the ability to be secured if necessary, due to winds, or unlevel areas.

Contracted services will eliminate fluctuating prices for individual residents as all residents would be paying the same lower rate of services.

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Electronic and House Hazardous waste will have a separate disposal option effective January 1, 2013 due to new law which was passed. At that time, the Borough may discuss with Waste Management a program to assist with that particular type of waste. With the current program residents will be allowed to dispose of one large item per month for disposal. Appliances will have to have the Freon removed prior to disposing of. Those items must be tagged prior to hauler pick-up.

Waste Management representatives assured the public that they will work with Derry Borough as any issues may arise and deal directly with Derry Borough representatives as needed if awarded the contract.

All resident's questions were answered and residents seemed satisfied with responses. No complaints were stated against the proposal of contracted services.

ADJOURNMENT

7:28p.m.