

Mechanicsburg Environmental Advisory Committee
Recycling Advisory Subcommittee
Minutes
July 10, 2007

Present: Coordinator Glenda Boyer, Diane Hollinger, Carl Hursh, and Cese Viti

Jubilee Day Report

The clear stream containers placed by trash bins on the east side of Main Street were outstandingly successful. The plan is to find a way to have a clear stream container for every trash container next year. Carl suggested approaching the county to ask them to purchase containers that could be lent out to municipalities. Carl also suggested the committee draft a letter to Tom Imphong of Solid Waste Authority touting the Jubilee success of clear stream containers.

Glenda suggested using flexible fencing to make "bottle drop off" bins at several spots on the north side of Jubilee. That way, whoever is collecting bags from the clear stream containers could throw the bags into the bin, all bin contents to be collected in a truck that would run along the north (Strawberry or Allen) to avoid the break down activity log jam on Main Street after closing of Jubilee.

The Mechanicsburg Pool has 12 of the bottle recyclers to use on a trial basis. It was suggested that the Chamber use the bottle containers throughout town and not for Jubilee when they are less successful at attracting recycling items. Perhaps merchants around town would consent to monitoring the bottles near soda machines.

Carl suggested trying to partner with some deep pockets (like the Senators) to man a Jubilee booth as an education/fun booth. Perhaps a spin the wheel, or bring a recycling item to spin the wheel idea could be tried out on the next E-Day.

Glenda and Cese proposed that some additional education opportunities for Recycling and EAC to consider for the 2008 budget season. A 2008 budget proposal will be prepared for submission to the EAC at their August meeting.

Refuse contract specs will be provided to the Committee for review prior to the August meeting.

Downtown Recycling Container Bid.

There will be a bid opening for downtown recycling receptacles funded by the 902 grant awarded in 2006 on July 6, 2007. More information will follow the bid opening.

Storm Drain Stenciling

At 7 PM the meeting was adjourned as Cece Viti and Glenda Boyer are assisting the Adult Environmental Club with the storm drain stenciling project this evening and also on July 24, 2007 at 7 PM. The Environmental Camp was cancelled, leaving us with no young people to stencil the storms drains and the money was already awarded. Paul Garrett and the Adult Environmental Club stepped forward and agreed to stencil the rest of the storm drains.