

**City Of Shelton, Anti-Litter Committee**  
**Agenda for the Meeting of January 27, 2016 at 7:00 PM**  
**Shelton City Hall, Room 104**

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**Meeting Minutes**

**1. Call to order /Pledge of Allegiance**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM by Chairman Gil Pastore. He led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Roll call**

**Members Present:**

Gil Pastore, Chairman

Ron Pilkowicz

Ingrid Waters

Sheri Maybeck-Dutkanicz

**3. Public Portion**

John F. Anglace

President, Board of Alderman

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**John Anglace:** I'd like to go over a few things. I think that you're making great progress. Sometimes you don't get any feedback. The streets are cleaner. You're doing a good job educating youngsters for long-term impact. The Yellow Pages were a historic home run. There's as many Yellow Pages companies as there are books.

There's more than just paper litter on the streets. There's visual and psychological litter. The biggest is the political signs but those are exempted by State law. Signs are the next biggest offender.

Nothing is allowed to be put in the City right of way. Signs on poles are another story. By State law that's a \$50.00 fine per pole. The Tree Warden is supposed to enforce this.

I spoke with Corporation Counsel and the mayor about memorials and event signage. The mayor had a different approach. He is willing to spend \$20,000 for an electronic display sign to advertise events. He would like to start with this sign versus prohibiting things. Everything is in the talking stage right now.

Collecting fines is a painstaking process. My idea is that you can put signs into the City right of way with a no cost permit. An individual, not an organization, must be responsible for the signs. We are trying to look at this with a broad approach.

Memorials must get a permit and maintain the memorial. The permit would be for one year or six months and then it's done.

**Sheri:** They can look messy after a while.

**John Anglace:** Fred Willis is willing to enforce the "no signs on poles and trees". We can get a letter from the Tree Warden to give us this authority. We have the will to enforce this.

**Sheri:** They have to put their name on it so it can be enforced.

**John Anglace:** There was an ordinance brought before the Board of Aldermen but it didn't pass. I've got to build a consensus. That's why I'm here. If you see a public meeting support it.

We have to collect the fine on the poles but the State gets the money because it's a State violation. The details are gigantic. Start off with the elections then move onto permitting. This is a good time of the year to do it. We've got to have something in place. The large flags by the road are already being worked on.

I thought that maybe I'd come and share this with you. We want to do it and do it right. It's on the burner.

#### **4. Approval of the November 2015 minutes.**

A motion was made by Ron Pilkowicz to approve the November 2015 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Ingrid Waters. All were in favor.

#### **5. Update for Adopt-A-Street**

This item was tabled until the next meeting.

#### **6. Planning for Clean Sweep 2016**

- Do we have a date for Clean Sweep?
- It's the week of Earth Day. It should be April 23<sup>rd</sup> through May first.
- We need to get more signs.
- Putting the event in the local news is helpful. We need to make sure that the Sentinel is included in Teresa's list.
- Do we want to get some sturdier signs?
- We need to try to involve Adopt-A-Street people. We should ask Teresa about it next month.

#### **7. Comments by members**

Ingrid: I have something good to report. We'd discussed approaching the Mayor's Office about trash handlers with garbage coming out of their trucks. I approached Jason Perillo. He was able to contact the DOT and Winter Brothers. The end result was that Winter Brothers will work with their driver's to make sure that all loads are properly covered. This shows that if we really try to get to the source we can.

#### **8. Adjournment – Next Meeting February 24, 2016**

Ron Pilkowicz made a motion to adjourn at 7:55PM. Sheri Maybeck-Dutkanicz seconded the motion. All were in favor.

