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+ INDEPENDENT WEBSITE SOURCES
DETAILED HISTORY OF COEYMANS CLEAN AIR & SOLID WASTE LAWS
2017-2025

See CAC website for videos & blogs on MOST of these topics.

<https://cleanairalbanycounty.org/>

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| 27 Dec 2017 to 4 Jan 2018 | People of Coeymans reject Connecticut's plan to burn municipal waste in Ravena cement plant. In early January 2018, Connecticut turns down proposal. | AP report on Town's reaction. https://apnews.com/article/7018dac965da4f73b3ba0569bd7574df NewsTen report of CT: https://www.news10.com/news/ct-rejects-lafarge-trash-burning-plan/ |
| 29 March 2019 | Coeymans Town Board passes a strict Clean Air Law over opposition from local industry. | Local Law 1, 2019: https://ia903109.us.archive.org/21/items/5793172-Local-Law-1-of-2019-Clean-Air-Law/5793172-Local-Law-1-of-2019-Clean-Air-Law.pdf WAMC report of vote: https://www.wamc.org/new-york-news/2019-03-29/coeymans-approves-clean-air-law |
| Nov, 2019 | George McHugh, former Counsel to Port of Coeymans, beats Phil Crandall in November election. Election results in Albany Times Union: https://www.pressreader.com/usa/albany-times-union/20191107/282351156588382 | Times Union article on George McHugh and Carver Laraway: https://www.timesunion.com/news/article/Is-Coeymans-candidate-too-close-to-port-owner-13828887.php |
| Aug. 2020 | George McHugh & Board change Coeymans Solid Waste Law to allow large private transfer station accepting waste from anywhere. | See 2020 Solid Waste Law here: https://www.coeymans.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Local-Law-10-of-2020-Amend-Section-138-Solid-Waste.pdf |

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| 10 Sept 2020 | Dan McCoy, Albany County Executive, sign Local Law B, the Albany County Clean Air Act, modelled on the Coeymans Clean Air Law. | News10 report: "Take a deep breath: Albany County passes the Clean Air Act": https://www.news10.com/news/local-news/take-a-deep-breath-albany-county-passes-the-clean-air-act/ |
| 23 Nov 2020 | George McHugh & Town Board vote to revise and weaken Clean Air Law. This local law overrides the Albany County Clean Air Law. Local residents protest outside Town Hall, in the cold, due to Covid restrictions. | Amended law: https://www.coeymans.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Local-Law-13-of-2020-Amend-Chapter-80-Clean-Air-Law.pdf Times Union report on changes & protests. https://www.timesunion.com/news/article/In-Coeymans-fears-of-tire-burning-15737452.php |
| 22 Dec 2020 | Local residents submit petition with 254 signatures calling for a referendum on revised Clean Air Law. | Only Clean Air Coalition reported this petition. See https://cleanairalbanycounty.org/page/22/ |
| 31 Dec 2022 | Petition rejected by Town Clerk & reported to Town Board. | Rejection reported to Town Board 14 January 2021. https://www.coeymans.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/2021-01-14-Town-Board-Meeting . |
| Q1 2023 | Residential & wooded land on Bronk Rd cleared between Rte 144 & Hudson River | Only reported by the Clean Air Coalition: See blog post dated March 2, 2023: https://cleanairalbanycounty.org/page/8/ |
| Nov 2023 | Coeymans given FAST NY grant of \$17.5 million towards cost of electricity substation to help Port of Coeymans expand. | FAST NY grant announced: https://www.ceg.org/articles/statements-on-17m-in-fast-ny-awards-for-coeymans/ |
| Nov 2023 | Stephen Donnelly & team defeat George McHugh for Town Supervisor. | Times Union report: https://www.timesunion.com/news/article/challenger-stephen-donnelly-declares-victory-18498601.php |
| 27 Dec 2023 | NY Department of Environmental Conservation becomes lead agency on Carver Companies plans for industrial expansion on agricultural & residential land north of Port of Coeymans. | Report from 06News: https://cbs6albany.com/news/local/public-hearing-on-coeymans-offshore-wind-project-carver-companies-port-turbines-ge-planning-board-clean-air-coalition See Planning & Zoning Board minutes & video for 12/27/2023: https://www.coeymans.org/minutes-agendas/ |
| 2024- 2025 | Supervisor Donnelly repeatedly asks Advance Albany County Alliance why the electricity substation is needed. Arranges for a public presentation on 13 March 2025. | See Supervisor Donnelly on Opinion Page Online: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MwnEAB1zYTM See Coeymans agenda sent out on 03/11/2025 at https://www.coeymans.org/minutes-agendas/ |

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| 13 Mar 2025 | <p>Advance Albany County Alliance presents plans for electricity substation at Port of Coeymans at Coeymans Town Hall. They did not identify the industries involved or where they would be located.</p> <p>Against the advice of the Town's lawyer, a surprise motion to accept the grant was passed 3 votes for, 2 votes against.</p> | <p>See YouTube video of the town meeting, including presentation, debate and vote on the motion: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9DyV2jB8Gt4&t=1503s</p> <p>See also the Clean Air Coalition report on events, dated March 27, 2025. https://cleanairalbanycounty.org/</p> |