

## Recycling and Transfer Advisory Committee

### Meeting Minutes

3/25/08

#### Members Present:

Bob Schroeder, Richard Bairam, John Danforth, Roger Duhaime, Merrill Johnson, George Longfellow; Council Rep.

Members Absent: Randy Holt

The meeting began at 6:35. The Committee reviewed the minutes from the meeting held on November 27, 2007. George made the motion to accept the minutes of the meeting as presented, second by John. All in favor.

There was a discussion on the decrease in trash this year. It is believed that the economy is the key factor to this. Recycling as remained constant. George thought it would be good for the council to see the spreadsheet that Diane makes up on the amount of trash and recycling leaving the facility.

Diane discussed her meeting with the Concord Co-op. It is a group formed in 1985, made up of 27 communities for cost effective solid waste management programs. They are implementing a single stream recycling facility and has asked Hooksett to be an Associate Cooperative Member. If recycling is collected it will be mixed and will cost the Town \$0. for disposal fees. A savings of \$74.00 per ton. Diane feels that the Town should consider curbside recycling seriously, the savings will pay for the program. She feels it is the time to really get ready to present the automated collection program. She has most of the Committees backing. Diane hopes to have a presentation for the Council by early fall for the next budget cycle.

The Recycling and Transfer Department and Highway Department will be sponsoring an open house for Earth Day , April 26<sup>th</sup>. At this time the Lions Club would like to get involved and the Town can hold a community wide roadside cleanup. The girl scouts have already showed interest in getting involved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.