Town of Hooksett Recycling and Transfer Advisory Committee

Minutes of Meeting January 27, 2009

Members Present: Merrill Johnson, George Longfellow; Council Rep., Roger

Duhaime, Martin Canneta, Richard Bairam

Absent: Randy Holt

Also Present: Councilman Paul Loiselle, Councilman Dave Dickson

The meeting began with a lengthy discussion on the Single Stream proposal from the Concord Regional Solid Waste/Resource Recovery Cooperative. The proposal calls for the Town to bring all of the recycling generated in Hooksett to the proposed cooperative facility where mixed recycling will be separated. The Town would be an Associate Member, meaning that if there are profits, the Town would share in the profits. If there costs associated with the recycling the Town would share the costs. It will be a 15- year contract.

The majority of the Committee is in favor of the single stream. George is against the proposal and feels we will be losing money. Diane feels it could help generate more recycling because of the convenience of putting it all together, and if there is any money lost from revenues it would be made up with the increase in savings of disposal fees. It also guarantees us a place to bring our recycling when the market crashes as we are experiencing presently.

Councilman Dave Dickson and Councilman Paul Loiselle were present to learn more information on both the single stream and the automated collection (which is in the discussion stage till the next budget presentation 2010-2011).

Diane will be attending the next Council meeting looking for support for the Single Stream Recycling facility.

The Committee reviewed the minutes from the November 25th meeting. Turk motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Second by George, all in favor.

The Committee quickly reviewed the monthly report.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45.