

Recycling and Transfer Advisory Committee
Minutes of Meeting
January 26, 2010

Members Present: Bill Hooley, Merrill Johnson, George Longfellow; Council Rep., Richard Bairam (Turk), Martin Cannata

Absent: Bob Schroeder, Roger Duhaime

The meeting began at 6:40. The Committee reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on October 26, 2010. Turk motioned to accept the minutes as presented, second by George. All in favor. Martin abstained.

Diane discussed her meeting with the CIP Committee. The CIP voted to put \$175,000 into automated collection/single stream recycling project. At January 13th Council meeting the Council voted to remove the project in order to keep the tax base close to a zero increase. It was not the only article removed. Diane also discussed the budget. She was able to have Waste Management drop the amount of disposal fees \$10.00 per ton. It will result in a \$50,000 savings for the Town in the next fiscal year.

There was a discussion on single stream recycling. Diane has gotten some information on other facilities to use as a bridge until the Co-Op begins. Diane also met with Jim Presher from the Co-Op on January 25th. He is extremely confident that the committed 25,000 ton goal of recyclables should be met within the next few months. It was the consensus of the Committee that Diane should hold off going to the Council on the single stream venture for several months because it might help give a more positive outlook for any kind of single stream initiative.

The Department will be sponsoring an Earth Day event on Saturday, April 24th. Diane was looking for some new ideas. Martin suggested some incentives and using the library bulletin board for displays.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15.