Recycling and Transfer Advisory Committee Minutes of Meeting March 23, 2010

Members Present: George Longfellow (Council Rep) Bob Schroeder, Richard Bairam, Bill Hooley, Roger Duhaime (Committee Chair) Merrill Johnson

Absent: Martin Cannata

The meeting was called to order at 6:40. The Committee reviewed the minutes from last meeting. It was determined that there was a quorum at that meeting. Turk motioned to accept the minutes as presented, second by Bill. All in favor.

Diane updated the Committee on the Solid Waste Ordinance. Everyone received a copy of the Solid Waste Policy. There are some sections that need to be addressed. The Committee will go over the policy.

The Committee reviewed the spread sheet with the monthly activities at the facility. Trash in February was way down. There was a discussion on single stream recycling.

George informed the Committee that he went to Goffstown and talked to the Finance Director and the Solid Waste foreman. George feels we need more trash to make automated collection a viable solution for trash collection. Committee members disagreed. If we need to get a truck in the next few years we should be moving forward towards automated. George also got a copy of the budget. He wants Diane to find out why they serve more residents and the disposal fees are less. Diane feels it is because they have a 40% recycling rate. She will research this.

Diane informed the Committee that the Council approved the purchase of a 100 yard trailer from the present budget. The Town will be saving \$30,000 in the next 6 months on disposal fees because of the new agreement with Wheelabrator.

Earth Day will be celebrated with an Open House on Saturday, April 24th from 8-1 along with an Explore A Truck event sponsored by the highway department. The Town will also be sponsoring a "Document Shred Day" free of charge for Hooksett residents on April 10th from 9-1.

The next scheduled meeting is on April 27th. The meeting adjourned at 8:10.