Recycling and Transfer Advisory Committee Minutes of Meeting August 24, 2010

Members Present: Richard Bairam, George Longfellow; Council Rep., Ray Bonney, Martin Cannata, Merrill Johnson

Absent: Robert Schroeder, Roger Duhaime

The meeting began at 6:40. George moved to approve the minutes from the July 27th meeting, second by Merrill. All in favor.

There was an immediate discussion on the contract "highlights" that Diane prepared regarding the proposed contract from the concord Regional Solid Waste/Resource Recovery Cooperative. Hooksett has been asked to be associate members in the proposed single stream recycling facility. Diane highlighted the important pieces of the contract for easier discussion. The contract highlights have been attached.

The Committee discussed all aspects of the single stream recycling proposal. Diane will be attending the September 8th Council meeting if legal council has responded to the contract before that date. It is a 15 year contract. If the Town wants to start single stream before the date the facility is completed there is an option to go to Maine for \$10.00 per ton and Diane is looking for other "short term" single stream recycling facilities. George has a concern that there will not be enough contracted recycling to make this a feasible project for the Town. Diane feels that if we sign and the facility is built, others will follow.

George wants to know how the Co-Op got 13 million dollars to fund the project.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the single stream facility and the long term possibilities of curbside recycling. Merrill feels it is frustrating that this Committee has always been so pro forward regarding long term projects and that this project is dragging. He feels we need to move forward.

Diane asked for support at the September 8th meeting with the Council.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15.