Recycling and Transfer Advisory Committee Minutes of Meeting June 25, 2013

Members Present: Bob Worrell, Jim Levesque, Richard Bairam, Sean McDonald, Ray Bonney Merrill Johnson

Absent: Bob Schroder

The meeting began at 6:40. Ray motioned to accept the minutes as presented, Sean McDonald second, all in favor.

The Committee asked Diane if the Council accepted the Wheelabrator contract. Diane explained that at the last minute Wheelabrator offered another 10 year contract which is lower in the beginning of the contract and a little higher in the end. It starts at \$65.00 per ton till January which will give the Town an immediate savings till January of \$30,000. Diane gave information to the Council regarding the limited disposal sites in the State and in Mass. She also discussed the advantage of going to an incinerator vs a landfill. The Council voted to waive the three bid rule and voted for the newer version of the contract.

Diane will work to get the portable road sign out with recycling information. Sean thought it would be good PR to let residents know what a good job they are doing. She will also place some signs at the Town Hall.

Diane issued each Committee member a "revised policy/ordinance" with the changes made in red. There may be a discussion with the Council regarding mandatory recycling at the last Council meeting in August.

The bids for the pickup and the bobcat have been sent to Town Hall for approval. The bid opening is scheduled for August 8th.

Diane would like to schedule some sort of "information meeting" sometime in the fall for residents regarding the mandatory recycling. It will depend on when the Council decides would be a good time to start.

The Department will be hiring another man from the Highway Department, who will be starting in July. It is a step up and he will be making more money. We will be sharing this person with Highway as they are short staffed.

The Committee will be scheduled sometime this fall to update the Council on what is going on.

Jim Levesque motioned to adjourn at 7:45, second by Sean. All in favor.