

**Hopkinton-Webster Refuse Disposal Committee
Minutes 5th January 2012**

Webster attendees: Barbara Corliss (chair), Ellen Kontinos-Cilley, Dave Klumb, Sally Embley
Webster absentees: Tom Mullins (resigned December 2011), Bob Drown

Hopkinton attendees: Richard Houston, Bob LaPree and Steve Clough (advisory member)
Hopkinton absentees: Richard Kennedy, Karen Irwin

Public attendees: Frank Davis

The chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM.

The chairperson appointed the following as voting members: Klumb for Drown, Embley for Mullins and Houston for Irwin.

Corliss announced the resignation of Webster voting member Tom Mullins and advised that the Webster Select Board is aware of the resignation and will appoint another voting member at their earliest convenience.

Corliss distributed copies of the Revised Refuse Disposal Ordinance approved by the joint select boards on January 3, 2012.

LaPree motioned to accept December minutes as written, seconded by Klumb. The December minutes were approved with 1 abstention: Embley, who was not in attendance at the November meeting.

Clough presented Facility After-Hours Access Reports for November 2011 and December 2011.

Clough advised that end-of year 2011 facility results were not yet available for review but may be available for the February meeting. Lapree requested a preliminary report from Clough to include a synopsis of estimated Recycling and Transfer Station Volume and Revenue results for 2011. This estimated report is needed by the Recycling Committee prior to their meeting next week. Clough will provide.

Clough advised no changes have been made to the last committee reviewed 2012 Proposed Facility Budget.

A lengthy discussion and exchange ensued regarding the possible expansion of facility services. This discussion was based largely on a report prepared and presented by Clough at the committee's request. The committee consensus was to move forward with exploring expansion options that could increase facility revenue. Corliss and Clough were assigned the task of drafting a recommendation for distribution to both Select boards. This draft document and e-mail, including all attachments, will be distributed as soon as possible to all RDC committee members via e-mail for their review and feedback prior to distribution to the Select boards. It is hoped that formal select board decisions will be received prior to the February 2012 RDC Meeting.

The committee objectives of Recycling and a possible Agricultural exemption were tabled until future meetings.

Public attendee Frank Davis opined that he agrees with the committee's decision to pursue expansion of facility services as long as future established fee schedules are comparatively favorable for residents of Webster and Hopkinton.

LaFree motioned to adjourn seconded by Houston.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.