

# Hopkinton/Webster Recycling Committee

## Meeting Minutes

### December 17, 2009

**Unofficial minutes until approved at the January 13, 2010 meeting**

**Present:** Debbie Augustine, Katherine Mitchell, Bob LaPree, Mary Leadbeater, Ginni Haines, Sally Embley, Denis Goddard, Judy Fayre

Rich Houston

Meeting called to order at 7:00 at the library

Minutes approved with corrections

#### **New Business –**

- Dockhams decided to attend the January meeting to discuss PAYT, Ginni will call with meeting time and place.
- Recap of the Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> Board of Selectmen meeting - Selectmen requested survey of PAYT towns regarding compliance of private haulers and rental properties.
- Rich Houston asked about some of the specifics of the PAYT warrant that the committee will put forward at the 2010 Town Meeting. He inquired about the cost components of the bag price. He asked that there be an option to use a coupon to pay for the disposal of non-PAYT bags at the transfer station as a means to reduce the cost to residents using the facility.

#### **Old Business –**

- Landfill Committee report: Bob reported that Steve Clough outlined the efforts to withdraw the towns from the solid waste cooperative. He is seeking alternatives for the disposal of the Hopkinton/Webster trash indicating there is excess landfill capacity so that there are several operations offering attractive contracts.
- The report of the Recycling Committee for the 2010 annual Town Report will be finalized at the January meeting.
- The committee will determine the deadline for warrant articles for the 2010 town meeting.
- A timeline will be established for informational meetings and outreach for the PAYT initiative.
- Ginni suggested that the school maintenance staff be consulted regarding recycling in the schools.

Next meeting January 13, 2010, 7pm town library

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm

Submitted by Bob LaPree

