

Hopkinton/Webster Recycling Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2010

Draft Minutes - unofficial until approved at Feb. 10th

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

Public attending: Forrest Dockham, Rich Houston

Meeting called to order at 7:00 at the library

Minutes approved

Forrest Dockham talked with the committee regarding the proposed Pay by Bag warrant article. He expressed support if the loads he delivers that are all paid bags are dumped without tipping fee. He said he will be able to modify his prices and can pick-up recyclables from all his customers if they wish. He said he'd be willing to post signs on his trucks showing support for PbB.

Rich Houston presented his research into the cost components for the pay bags. After consulting with Steve Clough, and Concord's PbB administrator he concluded that the combined tipping fee, transportation costs and the cost of the pay bag would amount to \$1.01 for a 33 gallon bag at an average weight of 18 lbs. The Concord source said a price of \$1.25 would be reasonable and allow for money to cover some of the costs of the transfer station that would be associated with PbB.

Katherine compiled a list of questions for the survey of PbB communities requested by the BOS. Denis will email the survey and tabulate the results for presentation to the BOS.

Old Business –

Decided to hold a public information forum on PbB Feb. 17 at 7pm at the Slusser Center.

Mary sent the committee's annual report for town report.

The committee will meet with the BOS Jan. 19 to present the PbB warrant for their approval.

Next meeting February 10th, 7pm town library

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm

Submitted by Bob LaPree