

Hopkinton/Webster Recycling Committee

May 12, 2010

UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AT JUNE 9TH MEETING

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

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm at the library

Minutes of the April meeting approved.

Committee discussed the elements going into the cost of the pay as you throw bags. Consensus is that the \$1.00 fee being proposed by the Implementation Committee may be too low to cover unanticipated costs in the first year of operation and the price should be set at the \$1.25 level authorized by town meeting.

Bob moved and was seconded that the committee recommend the Implementation Committee set the bag price at \$1.25 for the initial period of operation. Passed by unanimous vote.

Committee discussed various aspects of how to accomplish community outreach and education before the start of the PbB program. The members discussed the use of direct mailings to town residents and public forums. The comm. will ask to use funds from the Recycling Revolving Fund to underwrite costs.

Judy Fayre and Debbie Augustine will attend the annual NRRA Conference and Expo June 7th. Bob will ask Neal Cass for reimbursement for Judy's registration fee, Debbie's is being paid for by her employer.

Debbie and Mary reported that their Earth Day presentation on recycling to the 6th graders at the Maple Street School went very well with a lot of enthusiasm from the students; they brought the many thank you notes from the students to share with the rest of the committee.

Next Meeting 7:00pm June 9th at the town library.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

Submitted by Bob LaPree