

# Hopkinton/Webster Recycling Committee

## April 13, 2011

UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AT MAY 11th MEETING

**Present:** Bob LaPree, Katherine Mitchell, Mary Leadbeater, Ginni Haines and Denis Goddard - Selectmen's representative

Meeting called to order at 7:15pm at the Library

Minutes of the March 9th meeting approved.

Landfill Committee report.

The most recent Transfer Station report regarding recycling numbers is inconclusive due to seasonal lull of residents using TS.

Bob recounted his briefing of the BOS regarding the membership status of the committee and the need for guidance from the BOS on how to proceed with the committee's mandate to increase recycling. The BOS indicated they want the satellite drop-off for recyclables option resurrected. Denis said he would pursue having Neal look into the financials and possible locations for the drop-offs. Ginni said she'd ask her father about his land at the Colonial Villager Plaza as a possible site for a satellite drop-off.

Selectman O'Brien said he wanted the tipping fees charged commercial haulers to reflect the same amount of contribution to the general operation costs of the TS as the pay by bag fees do.

Ginni initiated discussion on the future of the RC by suggesting the possibility of the RC becoming part of the Greener Hopkinton Committee since there is a large overlap of goals and concerns. Future projects to pursue should be getting Webster residents involved in recycling expansion in their town. Requesting that the BOS from both towns direct the establishment of a swap shop.

Mary reported the sales of Compost bins – 14, Kitchen pails – 9 and Rain barrels – 5.

Katherine reported that Maria Doval is interested in becoming a member of the RC.

Adjourned at 9:00pm

Next meeting May 11th at Library Local History Room .

Submitted by Bob LaPree