

Hopkinton/Webster Recycling Committee

July 13, 2011

Unofficial until approved at August 10th meeting

Present: Bob LaPree, Katherine Mitchell, Mary Leadbeater, Sally Emblay, and Denis Goddard -
Selectmen's representative
Public: Rich Houston
Meeting called to order at 7:15pm at the Library

Minutes of the May 11th meeting minutes approved with correction.

Hopkinton/Webster Refuse Disposal Committee report: Steve Clough presented detailed tables and charts of the Transfer Station operational costs and revenues. He stated he needs a full year of operation to determine the trends associated with the implementation of Pay-by-Bag. The RDC also discussed having commercial haulers pay at the same rate as those using paid bags, at a rate of \$1.00 per 20 lbs. (.25 is the cost of the paid bags) Steve pointed out that Dockhams is the only commercial hauler in town, and such a steep increase would likely cause enough customers to drop his service in favor of haulers who dump elsewhere to put them out of business.

Recycling satellite drop-off implementation is in the hands of the town administrator. Neal Cass said the Dockham's are considering the proposal.

Katherine and Mary reported on their meeting with School Superintendent Steve Chamberlin regarding a district wide recycling program. Mr. Chamberlin was receptive and said he will work to develop a systematic recycling program for the schools.

Public comment: Rich Houston said the security camera proposal will be on the RDC Sept. agenda.

Adjourned at 8:30pm

Next meeting August 10th at Library Local History Room.

Submitted by Bob LaPree