Dover Recycling Committee
Minutes of 10/6/08

Present:  Abby Howe, Kerry O’Brien, Christine Heer, Fran Aikman, John O’Keefe

Minutes:  Approved minutes of 9/8/08

Treasurer’s Report: Fran gave report. She will be in touch with football team about the trailer this month.

Canable Bins: Abby ordered six new bins and 100 clear bags ($62.10/each and $42 for bags). There was discussion on how to handle distribution for house parties and where to store them for easy accessibility (town garage or Caryl School). Other places they can used: Charles River Fair October 18th (Fran to get, distribute and collect). Need to add signs to make clear that must empty before recycling. We will send another article to paper to “advertise” the canables as Holiday season approaches.

Recycling Bins: Fran will order as many green as there are available.

America Recycles Day: November 15th. Committee to clean up swap shop, sell recycle bins and hand out pencils. Banner up in town green (Becky). There will also be an article in the paper regarding the use of single stream at the schools. Recycling information will be at the school and town library.

Town Wide Clean Up: The date is set for 3/28/09 with a rain date of 3/29/09.

Schools: Kerry reported that things are going well with recycling. Ardys Flavelle and Kerry helping to get students interested in environmental club and redeem the 10 cases/day that are being collected in the cafeteria. It would be great to get interested kids involved in alternatives for the current trays being used in the cafeteria also. Kerry has been in touch with the “Focus” editor to do an article on the greening of the cafeteria. She is also meeting with a parent group to keep everyone informed.

Vermi composter: Fran checking into purchasing a thank you gift of a vermi (worm) composter for Tami Tuminelli and the Middle School. Ms. Tuminelli had been very helpful with recycling at the school.

Tetrapaks: Becky P. to follow up with Newton transfer station to find out who their hauler is. They informed Becky P. that they put tetrapaks in with other recyclables.

Help at transfer station: Becky P. to find out if the Boy Scouts are still coming to the transfer station on a regular basis to help people with their trash and recyclables.

Website: Christine to check Dover town website again and be sure wording is correct.

Next meeting November 3, 2008 @ 8:15 am in the Highway Garage.