## Town of Thompson Transfer Station Advisory Committee Minutes – Meeting of March 27, 2014

The Transfer Station Advisory Committee held a Meeting on Thursday, March 27, 2014 in the Merrill Seney Community Room. Those in attendance: Karen Durlach, Paul Horanzy, Al Landry, Lynn Landry, David Ostrowski, Sylvie Hanshaw, Jarrod Hanshaw.

**Meeting Moderator and Secretary:** Al volunteered to moderate the meeting and Lynn volunteered to record the minutes.

**Approve Minutes of February, 2014:** *Motion made by Karen, seconded by Paul to accept the minutes of February 27, 2014 as presented. All in favor, motion carries.* 

Changes to the Agenda: None

Correspondence: None.

Information from the Director of Public Works: None.

**Information from the First Selectman:** The Third Grade Tour is being coordinated by the First Selectman's Office.

**Public School Information**: Al and Lynn attended the March 10, 2014 Board of Education meeting. Information from the State website on mandated recycling and programs for recycling in schools was presented. The School has purchased additional recycling bins and Mr. Birch has coordinated with Willimantic Waste to have the central paper collection changed into paper collection containers in three locations. We have requested that a contact person in each of the three divisions be identified; we will try to assist that person in appropriate action steps. David noted that he reviewed the school's contract with Willimantic Waste and there is no penalty for terminating the contract. On March 17, 2014, Al and Lynn presented information on recycling and the Transfer Station to Mr. Duprey's High School Social Science class. This class is involved in a Green School Project; we have learned that they have installed recycling bins in the cafeteria and hallways.

Jarrod asked members to identify the problems with recycling at the School. The main problem appears to be moving the materials to the correct places. We also discussed the value of community service within the school system. He suggested having a poster competition or a plan of action competition at each of the schools. Sylvie suggested sending home a flyer (on recycled paper) when recycling programs are installed in the elementary school. **Recycling, Education and Trash Reduction Effort:** Paul noted that the e-mail video of recycling at Willimantic Waste, received via Mr. Birch, was very educational. Even with single stream recycling, which Willimantic Waste uses, the recycling rate is not 100%. We assume that Willimantic Waste is using single stream at the School Karen asked if the Security Cameras for the Transfer Station are in this year's proposed budget.

Karen suggested that we talk with Mr. Lenky about doing spot checks at the MSW bin to identify degree of recycling, and also ask Mr. Lenky to reinstate the use of violation forms.

Citizens' Comments: None.

**Other Business:** We encouraged Jarrod to consider becoming a member. Since our last meeting, the Board of Selectmen has appointed Anja as a member and Josh Butts and Kevin Racine are Alternate Members. They each need to be sworn in.

**Set Next Meeting Date & Agenda:** We will tentatively hold our next regular meeting on April 24, 2014 if we have sufficient input from the School, the Director of Public Works and the First Selectman.

**Adjournment:** *Motion made by Karen, seconded by Lynn, to adjourn the meeting at* 7:56 *pm. All in favor, motion carries.* 

Respectfully Submitted, Lynn Landry