



TOWN OF HUDSON



Sustainability Committee Minutes

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June 22, 2015 – 7PM

Hudson Town Hall - 12 School St., Hudson, NH 03051

Buxton C.D. Meeting Room

1. Call to Order By:

The meeting was called to order by Leo Bernard.

2. Attendance By:

Leo Bernard, Linda Kipnes, Debra Putnam, Michael Tranfaglia, Lisza Elliott, and Margaret Femia

Absent excused: Cecilia Nickerson, Robert Cooper and Ted Luszey

Absent unexcused: Uday Khatri, Tianna Begonis

3. Public Input:

Welcome of new Full Time Member Michael Tranfaglia

Ben Dibble – suggested ideas for raising awareness of elementary students- recycling, etc.

4. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes for the meeting of April 27, 2015 were reviewed and a motion to accept was made by Michael and seconded by Lisza. The motion passed 6-0.

5. Reports:

- **Trash Tonnage Report** – accepted as reformatted by Cecilia Nickerson
- **Expenditure Report** – noted as presented by Leo Bernard. Fiscal year to end June 30.
- **Clean-Up Days** – Next two days -July 25 and August 29 - 8am-12pm Pass Needed
- **Yard Waste, Metal and Cardboard Disposal** – 8am-12noon each Saturday morning.
Hudson Landfill closed on July 4, 2015
- **Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Collection** – Nashua Public Works Garage 8:00am-Noon – Saturdays: **August 1, October 3, and November 7**. Ten dollar user fee per vehicle which covers up to 10 gallons or 20 pounds of waste. An additional donation may be requested if the amount being dropped off exceeds 10 gallons or 20 pounds. Cash or Check only.
- **Next Holiday Schedule for Recycling** – Labor Day - Monday, September 7, 2015
- **HLN Column & E-mails to Committee** hudsonsustainability@gmail.com – Debra will continue to work with Tianna on possible future articles. (Tianna has since sent an email resigning from the committee. Tianna’s resignation needs to be accepted by the BOS.)
- **Energy Items** – Debra to work on organizing a Solar information meeting and an open house for all interested residents in mid fall.

6. Old Business:

- Michael -Friends of Robinson Pond clean-up on May 16 was a success.
- Leo will contact the Hudson Police regarding a representative attending a future meeting to explain the Littering Laws

7. New Business:

- **Committee elections:**
Chairman – Linda nominated Leo, Lisza nominated Linda. Leo called for a “hand vote.”
Vote – 4 -1-1 in favor of Leo as Chairman (Leo abstained from voting.). Leo accepted the nomination.

Vice Chairman – Debra nominated Linda, Debra made a motion to close nominations, one name on the ballot - Linda, Vote – 5-0-1 (Linda abstained from voting) Linda accepted the nomination.

Clerk – Leo noted that the temporary Clerk is Debra. Debra declined the nomination and a voice vote confirmed the members’ wish to table a vote on Clerk’s position until the next meeting.

Communications Officer – Linda nominated Debra, Motion to close voting with one vote for Debra made by Michael, Vote – 5-0 -1 in favor of Debra as Communications Officer (Debbie abstained from voting). Debra accepted the nomination.

Energy Officer – Debra nominated Margaret, Lisza made a motion to close voting with one vote for Margaret. Debra seconded the motion. Vote – 6-0 in favor of Margaret as Energy Officer. Margaret accepted the nomination.

Clean Up Officer – Leo officially tabled the vote until the next meeting.

8. **New events: Leo** -No input – Leo moved on to closing comments.

9. **Committee Member & Selectman Liaison & Staff Comments:**

Lisza– Happy to be back attending meetings and noted that the committee is doing a great job.

Debra – Encouraged residents to consider becoming a member. Looking forward to moving forward on a Solar information meeting with the HCTV team recording for replay.

Margaret – Expressed support for a Solar information meeting/project coming to Hudson.

Leo – Noted the importance of speed limit signage and flashing lights along 102 in front of the schools. Thanked committee for the nomination. Reminded members of protocols and is looking forward to another good year.

Michael – Will help Debra with Sustainability Committee Facebook postings. Will “spread the word” in an effort to bring in new members.

Linda – Happy that the committee is getting going on Solar. Hopes the town investigates the creation of a Solar farm at one of the dump sites. Encouraging all residents to recycle, donate, repurpose!

10. **Selection of Next Meeting Date:**

July meeting canceled by Leo via email on July 8.

Next meeting will be held on August 24, 2015 at the Buxton C.D. meeting room at 7pm. The budget must be discussed during the August meeting.

11. **Adjourn:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Michael and seconded by Debra. Meeting was adjourned at 8:14pm.

Debbie Putnam
Temporary Clerk



Date: August 3, 2015