



TOWN OF HUDSON

Recycling / Energy Committee



Leo C. Bernard, Chairman Recycling & Linda Kipnes, Chairwoman Energy Ben Nadeau, Selectmen Liaison

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October 28, 2013 – 7PM
Hudson Town Hall - 12 School St., Hudson, NH 03051
Buxton C.D. Meeting Room

Minutes

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Leo Bernard at 7:07

2. Attendance:

Frank Rosier, Leo Bernard, Cheryl Freed, Lisza Elliott, Tianna Begonis and Uday Khattry
Energy Committee: Linda Kipnes

Absent excused: Ben Nadeau, Jason Shoemaker, Dave Jelley and Margaret Femia

Absent unexcused:

3. Public Input:

None

4. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes for September 23rd, 2013 were reviewed by the committee and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Cheryl and seconded by Linda. The motion to accept the minutes passed 7-0.

5. Reports:

- **Trash Tonnage Report** – The rate came in at 28.49%. The rate was below 30% again though there was an increase from August. The committee is concerned that the rate is below the 30% for 2 months.
- **Expenditure Report** – The committee reviewed the September 2013 Recycling C. & Energy C. reports. No expenditures for the last months. The budget can be spent on anything committee related and promotion of recycling and energy savings in the town.
- **Clean Up Days** – The next clean-up day is November 30, 2013 8am to 12pm and a pass is needed. There is also a hazardous waste day scheduled and Cheryl will post details on our Facebook page.
- **Yard Waste Disposal** – Held every Saturday From 8am until Noon April – November and no pass is needed.
- **Holiday Schedule** – The next scheduled holiday is November 24th, 2013 Thanksgiving Day. There will be no Thursday pick-up that week. The regular pick up for Thursday will be on Friday and Friday pick up will be Saturday.

- **HLN Column & E-mails** – One email was received from Bev Edwards from the Monadnock Energy Resources Initiative. She forwarded information concerning energy initiatives to the committee. The next column will be about the combining of the committees and things that can be recycled.
- **Energy Items** – Linda attended a roadside clean up with her woman's group on route 3A. The group cleaned up 4 bags of trash and 4 bags of recycling. Linda is part of Natural Resources Planning Committee and they are making a master plan for the region and Linda is helping with the natural resources and energy efficiency chapter. The committee will create a document that will show where the region is headed. Linda hopes to get some good ideas from this research. There is no energy chapter in the Hudson master plan and would like to see it written into the master plan. Leo, Uday and Cheryl attended an Energy Fair and learned a lot about new energy matters.

6. Old Business:

- **Combine Committees** – The committee went in front of the BOS to ask permission to have the Energy Committee and the Recycling committee to combine to form one committee. This was approved and the BOS and the new name of the committee is the Recycling / Energy Committee. The recommendation to the committee was to have 11 members and 2 alternates. This recommendation was accepted by the BOS. This means there are 1 vacant seat and 2 alternates. The board would like the residents to please sign up if you have an interest in recycling or energy concerns in the town.
- **Budget FY 15** – Once the committees were combined and the budget is now under one budget for the Recycling / Energy Committee.
- **Kiwanis Pumpkin Fest** – The event was held on October 18, 19 & 20, 2013 and the committee did not attend. The committee was unable to attend the event due to lack of coverage. The committee cancelled the attendance at Pumpkin Fest with the organizers.

7. New Business:

- **Roadside clean ups** – The last clean-up day went well. There were pictures posted in the HLN. There were about 20 volunteers that cleaned up Speare and Windham road. The committee is planning to have another clean-up day around Earth Day (April 20th, 2014) of next year. The committee would like to target Wasson Road but the committee would need to discuss a plan with the police department in order to ensure safety of the volunteers.
- **Election of New Officers** – The Energy and Recycling committees have combined and the new committee will open up the issue for discussion. Linda made a motion to appoint Linda Kipnes as the Vice-Chairman, Leo Bernard to remain Chairman and Frank Rosier to act as clerk. The motion was seconded by Cheryl Freed. The motion was passed 7-0. The new officer assignment will continue through April, 2014.
- **Upcoming Events** – The next will be in April for the Road Side Clean-up. The Expo will be the next event in May.
- **Committee opening** – Tim Boland has resigned from the Energy Committee which created the opening in the combined Recycling / Energy Committee.
- **Mission statement** – The committee will review the separate committee mission statements and try to combine them for the combined committee going forward. The committee will review this at the next meeting.

8. Committee Member & Selectman Liaison & Staff Comments:

Cheryl – Disappointed the BOS did not accept the sustainability name for the combined committee

Lisza – None

Linda – Thank the committee for attending the energy conference. Linda is disappointed in the lack of 30% recycling in the town.

Leo – Thanks to the committee for the chairmanship of the committee through April of next year.

Tianna – Great meeting and look forward to the next meeting

Uday – I am sure we will be able to get the recycling rate above 30%

Frank – Go Sox!

9. Selection of Next Meeting Date:

The next meeting will be held on November 25, 2013 at the Buxton C.D. meeting room at 7pm.

10. Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was made by Cheryl and seconded by Lisza. Motion passed 7-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:25

Frank Rosier

Frank Rosier, Vice-Chairman of Recycling Committee

10/28/2013

Date

