



TOWN OF HUDSON



Sustainability Committee

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January 28, 2019 – 7PM

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

Community Development (Buxton) Meeting Room

Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order By: Leo Bernard at 7:01pm**
2. **Attendance By:** Leo Bernard, Caitlin Chiquelin-Croninger, Richard Kahn, Linda Kipnes, Jenn Grimaldi, Debbie Putnam (Lisza Elliot excused)
3. **Public Input:** Clean Energy NH – Henry Herndon explained the goals, functioning of the organization and benefits of joining Clean Energy NH. Henry invited Hudson to become one of the member towns. Later in the meeting members determined that it is best for Hudson to wait a bit to join Clean Energy NH. Members discussed reassessing this opportunity at the April meeting as the committee might need to apply for additional funding in the 19'-20' budget to cover the membership fee.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes for August and September meetings re-released only the day of the meeting. Minutes from August and Sept 2018 to be reviewed at the February 2019 meeting along with the minutes of the January 2019 meeting. Jenn Grimaldi will submit the minutes from the October meeting at a later date.
5. **Reports:**
 - Review of Trash Tonnage Report – data from July through November posted – average 25% or higher. (December 2018 to be posted)
 - Expenditure Report December 2018 – No outstanding receipts to be filed as of meeting date.
 - **Next Clean Up Days:** March 30, 2019 8am to 12pm {Pass Needed for 2019} Last Saturday of the Month
 - **Yard Waste Disposal Only Every Saturday {April – November}** From 8am until Noon (No Pass Need)
 - Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Collection: **Nashua Public Works Garage**
www.nashuarpc.org/hhw or call (603) 424-2240

6. Old Business:

7. New Business:

Welcomed the newest member Caitlin Chiquelin!

HLN Column & E-mails to Committee from HUDSONSUSTAINABILITY@GMAIL.COM Discussed future brief articles and/or letters to the Editor plus postings in the Community Calendar - promoting the Repurposing-Recycling Contest, Earth Day Party and the April Roadside Cleanup.

Next Roadside Cleanup : Date for Roadside cleanup to be discussed at the Feb meeting along with which roads to focus on. Finalization of roads to be done in coordination with Jess Forrence, Chief of Police and the Board of Selectmen.

Debbie Putnam OSI Announces \$100,000 Grant for School Energy Efficiency Project – Information forwarded to Donna Graham who forwarded all to the School Administration.

Debbie Putnam Clean Energy NH – see above – Public Input

Richard Kahn Repurposing and Recycling Contest – Margaret can generate a flyer. We need to determine exactly what info to include on the flyer. The flyer can be distributed to all Town bldgs. through the Town Admin. office. Information to be posted to new website. Lisza posted the competition to the committee's Facebook page.

Debbie voted in as Clerk.

Jenn voted in as "Media Coordinator" (new position within the committee) – Rich entered the motion, Deb seconded, Vote was unanimous.

Jenn and Caitlin will work together to broaden the committee's communication with residents through Instagram, a new website, Facebook and other forms of social media.

After considerable discussion and review of a proposal submitted by Jenn on behalf of Tallant Farm, the committee voted to expend funds to have a website created to improve communication with residents. Since this requires an expenditure of a substantial portion of the remaining funds, the committee will not be buying Ads in the HLN. The new website will be used to advertise the Contest and continually update residents on upcoming activities hosted by the committee. In addition, news of activities related to saving energy and recycling in neighboring towns will be posted. Videos of past Button Up New Hampshire workshops hosted by the committee will eventually be made available through the website. Once the website is created, updates and postings to the website will be done by Jenn - Media Coordinator.

Linda continues to work on exploring how town buildings can reduce their energy consumption – Energy Audits of Town Hall, Community Center, and both Libraries – in regards to lighting, heating and air conditioning.

Video – How to improve recycling participation and educate residents on how to recycle correctly helping to assure that the maximum number of items put in to recycle bins can be easily processed by Pinard Waste Systems. Jenn, Caitlin, Rich and Debbie all expressed interest in contributing to the creative process. Subsequent to the meeting communication with Jess Forrence, Tony of Pinard Waste Systems, the HCTV crew quickly resulted in a successful meeting with two members of the committee - Caitlin and Rich- attending. The actual recording will take place the day after the next meeting – Feb. 26 at the HCTV studio. Jenn, Caitlin, Debbie and Rich will attend the session.

8. Committee Member & Selectman Liaison & Staff Comments:

Leo – election of officers will be in May. Leo advised that he might not be available to continue as Chairman. Multiple members discussed the need to plan soon for both the Roadside Cleanup and the Earth Day Party. Final decisions on dates for both activities to be made no later than the March meeting. Members look forward to meeting members of the Londonderry Solid Waste and Environment committee at the February meeting.

9. Selection of Next Meeting Date:

- The next meeting will be held on **February 25, 2019** at the Buxton meeting room at 7pm.
- Discussion will take place not later than the April meeting as to whether to have a meeting in May due a conflict - Holiday Schedule.

10. Adjourn:

Debbie Putnam

Debbie Putnam, Clerk Sustainability Committee

02/23/19

Date