



TOWN OF HUDSON



Sustainability Committee

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February 25, 2019 – 7PM

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

Community Development (Buxton) Meeting Room

Minutes

1. **Call to Order By: Leo at 7:02pm**
2. **Attendance By: Linda, Leo, Lisza (as “member”), Richard, Debbie, Jenn, Caitlyn**
3. **Public Input: none**
4. **Guest Speakers: Londonderry Solid Waste and Environment Committee: Paul Margolin, chairman**
Four members attended the meeting with two being the principal speakers – Paul and Lynn Wiles. The presentation and handout explained the core activities and responsibilities of the Londonderry committee. The challenges that both committees share were reviewed and discussions started on how we can each learn from the experiences of the other committee. Of particular concern, to both committees, are the changes that will be coming to the recycling of materials – limitations/restrictions & status of the items put in to the recycling stream.
5. **Minutes Approved:** September 24, 2018, August 27, 2018, October 22, 2018 & January 28, 2019(corrected) Minutes forwarded to Donna Graham for posting on Town website.
6. **Reports:**
 - Review of Trash Tonnage Report (January 2019) Dec. 2018 28%,
Noted that the Highway Department is now known as the Public Works Department with Jess Forrence being the Public Works Director.
 - Expenditure Report January 2019
 - **Next Clean Up Days:** March 30, 2019 8am to 12pm {Pass Needed for 2019} **Last Saturday of the Month**
 - **Yard Waste Disposal, Metal and Cardboard Recycling 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
 - E-mails to Committee from {HUDSONSUSTAINABILITY@GMAIL.COM} – all communications forwarded to members including those from the Londonderry Solid Waste and Environment Committee.
7. **Old Business:**

Many ideas shared regarding how to let residents know about the importance of proper recycling – primarily that no plastic bags are to go in to their blue Recycle Bin. Run education series at super markets in Hudson on how to properly recycle and encourage use of “reusable” bags, create a “not acceptable items” notice

to be applied to blue bins which contain items that are not accepted in the recycling stream. Distribute the In the Bin notice/page created by Pinard Waste Systems through social media and new website.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle chart to be updated by March meeting.

Repurposing and Recycling Contest – Rich will have additional meetings with Alvirne students & Mr. Beals. Debbie emailed Ben Dibble who, in turn, released competition info and Rich’s phone number to Scout leaders along with suggestions as to which projects required for specific badges might also be valid entries for the contest. Rich to pass out flyers in welding classes at Alvirne HS.

8. New Business:

Voting Day display at Community Center – in planning
Rogers Memorial Library – display case – month of March

Jenn: Website for the committee, nearing completion, draft of home page presented to members for review, suggestions shared including incorporating successful ideas from Londonderry committee, add a committee calendar that will incorporate community calendar info as well such as what can be brought to the dump and on which Saturdays.

How-to recycle video: Rich, Jenn, Debbie and Cait each contributed to the creation of 1-2 informational videos with Tony Belanger of Pinard as the lead presenter and Jim McIntosh & Mike Thompson as the technical directors.

Debbie: 2019 NRRRA Backyard Compost Bin Sale – notice posted to Facebook and on the new website.

Jenn: “No Plastic July”, Craft Project – convert old T-Shirts in to reusable shopping bags.

Roadside Cleanup – April 27 – morning? 9:30-12? Cait noted that Musquash + Glenview – area needs to be cleaned up. Final decision on which road or roads to clean up must be made during the March meeting. Rich will reach out to Hudson Kiwanis, Rotary, Lions, etc. to seek support and help/manpower. This time the Roadside Cleanup will be video taped for educational/informational use on HCTV channels.

Earth Day Party – April 27? 1:– 3:30pm? Use caution tape to mark off the Gazebo at Benson Park. Final decisions on activities, cookies, decorations, etc. to be made during the March meeting.

9. Committee Member & Selectman Liaison & Staff Comments:

Comments focused on display for Voting Day and ideas regarding Roadside Clean up and Earth Day Party. Residents advised to not put any plastic bags in their Blue Recycle Bin! If people collect recyclables in a bag in their house during the week then please dump the items out of the bag in to the bin and place the bag in their black trash bin or return to super market for recycling.

10. Selection of Next Meeting Date:

- The next meeting will be held on **March 25, 2019** at the Buxton meeting room at 7pm.

11. **Adjourn:** 8:49pm Rich made the motion to adjourn and Lisza seconded

Debbie Putnam

Debbie Putnam, Clerk, Sustainability Committee

03/17/2019

Date