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March 25, 2019 – 7PM Hudson Town Hall - 12 School St., Hudson, NH 03051 Community Development (Buxton) Meeting Room Minutes

- 1. Call to Order By: Leo Bernard at 7:06pm
- 2. Attendance By: Leo Bernard, Linda Kipnes, Richard Kahn, Debbie Putnam, Caitlin Chiquelin, and Tim Wyatt. Jenn Grimaldi and Lisza Elliot excused
- 3. **Public Input:** Ben Dibble shared the news that Cub Pack 21 is hosting a Hudson Electronics Recycling event at the Hudson Community Center on April 14.
- 4. New member Tim Wyatt welcomed in to the committee!
- 5. In light of Ben Dibble's attendance and expressed interest in possible Scout participation, Debbie Putnam requested that two New Business items be discussed at that point in the meeting. The ensuing conversations resulted in final decisions:

Roadside Clean-up April 27, 2019 - meet at Jette Field & Sousa Field at 9:45am for 10:00am-12:00noon pick up along Belknap from Central to Melendy and Melendy from Belknap to Pelham. Leo Bernard to pick up the committee's roadside signs on Thursday, April 25 and return them to the Town Garage on May 6. Approval secured from both Public Works Director and Chief of Police. Leo Bernard will present to the BOS on April 9 seeking final approval by the Board of Selectmen.

Final arrangements to be settled during the April 22nd meeting

Members unanimously approved gifting each resident who signs up in advance for the Roadside Clean up, a Hudson Sustainability Committee green backpack bag with a pair of gloves, blue bags and black trash bags. Residents can sign up on the Committee's Facebook page. Caitlin Chiquelin shared that the Conservation Commission will be hosting a hike open to all residents the same morning.

Earth Day Party April 27, 2019 – Benson Park 1:00-4:00pm – Linda, Tim and Richard to arrive early in the day to determine which location will be best and then set Caution Tape to demarcate the space and place the larger items by use of Linda's vehicle. That same morning, a brightly colored sign will be posted at the entrance Kiosk advising visitors where the Earth Day Party will be located within the park. Committee members available to help with the Earth Day Party will assemble at approximately 12:45pm. Final arrangements including the use of a water cooler, purchase of paper cups, peat pots, potting soil and donations of snacks, treats, seedlings, etc. will be settled during the April 22 meeting.

Margaret Femia, former member, will continue to volunteer her time and expertise to create flyers, etc. to promote both events. Full promotion of the Roadside Cleanup will commence after the Board of Selectmen grants their approval during their April 9 meeting. Flyers for both events will be released to all members via email for display in businesses around Hudson. One will be put in to the "mailbox" for each department/town building in Hudson: Town Hall, Schools, Community Center, etc. The flyer for each event is to be posted on Facebook, committee's new website and the Town of Hudson's new website.

6. Approval of Minutes: Minutes February 25, 2019 approved with two corrections. Linda made the motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Richard.

7. Reports:

- Review of Trash Tonnage Report (February 2019)
- Expenditure Report February 2019
- <u>Next Clean Up Days:</u> April 27, May 25 2019 8am to 12pm {Pass Needed for 2019} Last Saturday of the Month
- <u>Yard Waste Disposal, Metal and Cardboard Recycling Every Saturday</u> {<u>April November</u>} From 8am until Noon (No Pass Need)
- Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Collection: Nashua Public Works Garage <u>www.nashuarpc.org/hhw</u> or call (603) 424-2240 for information.
- E-mails to Committee from <u>{hudsonsustainability@gmail.com}</u> NH Energy Week – roundtable meeting hosted by NH Energy – Leo, Linda and Caitlin signed up

8. Old Business:

Letter in Mail in February–Discussion focused on current & future improvements to the effectiveness of the committee

Richard Kahn: Repurposing and Recycling Contest – Members contributed to a significant discussion on ideas of how to improve the running of such a contest starting fall of 2019. One idea is to have the items submitted displayed at each Earth Day Party. Richard noted that there is repurposing going on already in Alvirne – use of discarded metal for welding classes. Idea for future – Repurposing–Recycling nights at Rodgers Memorial Library.

Jennifer Stone-Grimaidi: New Website for the committee $\{\underline{Moved to next Meeting}\}$ as Jenn was unable to attend.

Richard Kahn: How-to recycle video – Discussion occurred regarding possible short "commercials" in the future and fresh "slides" for HCTV channels – each focusing on one idea - how to recycle plastic properly, individual ideas on how to save energy.

Debbie Putnam: 2019 NRRA Backyard Compost Bin Sale invitation to groups and organizations to order a quantity for sale as a fundraiser. The Sustainability Committee ran such an event in past years and had decided that more time needs to elapse before doing so again.

7. New Business:

Voting Day March 12, 2019 – Members commented on the display in the Community Center. Mr. Inderbitzen noted that residents showed interest in the display. Debbie Putnam moved some of the informational materials to the display case in the Lobby of the Rodgers Memorial Library where they will stay until March 29.

Refresh Mission Statement and develop and publish Goals: Ideas to work on during future meetings. Carry through the new text on to the committee's new website and the Town of Hudson's new website.

Reaching out to local food sale and service businesses to encourage each to switch to recyclable "ToGo" containers and other efforts to reduce the amount of trash.

8. Committee Member & Selectman Liaison & Staff Comments:

Tim Wyatt hosted a presentation focusing on repurposing recyclables and trash to create useable items. Tim gave each member a handout as a visual aide when sharing his concerns regarding the recycling of plastic bags, the outdated information on the top of each Blue Bin, the clear need to reeducate residents regarding correct recycling and the idea of the committee working with Pinard Waste Systems to develop an up-to-date sticker for the top of each Blue Bin.

Debbie – committee needs to focus on educating residents on how to do a better job recycling Richard – need to put "Less in the Bins" – lower costs for the town

Linda – Watch the In The Bin videos on the HCTV channels – Reuse items – Keep the Planet Clean Leo – Help Hudson Stay Clean, Welcome! to Tim, Residents invited to join the Sustainability Committee

9. Selection of Next Meeting Date:

• The next meeting will be held on <u>April 22, 2019</u> at the Buxton meeting room at 7pm.

10. Adjourned at 9:18pm

Debbie Putnam

Hudson Sustainability Committee, Clerk

03/29/2019

Date