



TOWN OF HUDSON

Sustainability Committee

Agenda



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June 28, 2021 – 7PM

Hudson Town Hall - 12 School St., Hudson, NH 03051
Community Development (Buxton) Meeting Room

1. **Call to Order:**
2. **Attendance: Jennifer Stone-Grimaldi – excused by Chairman
Introduction of Brett Gagnon – new Selectman Liaison**
3. **Public Input:**
4. **Approval of Minutes:** November 30, 2020 meeting submitted by Debra Putnam (included in Packet)
5. **Member status report:** Linda Kipnes' contributions to the Recycling and Energy Committee which transformed into the Sustainability Committee were pivotal in many positive changes throughout the Town of Hudson. Update on Caitlin Chiquelin, Richard Kahn and Leo Bernard-many thanks for years of contributions! Welcome new members – Kate Messner, Sarah Repeta. Ed Thompson and, pending final approval by the BOS, a new Alternate-Craig Putnam. Craig is attending as a member of the Public.
6. **Reports:**
 - **Trash-Recycling Tonnage Report** (included in Packet): D. Putnam
 - **Expenditure Report:** May Expenditure Report (included in the Packet) No Expenditures since November 2021. New fiscal year starts July 1, 2021.
 - **Energy Conservation Report: Report from Steve Malizia, Town Administrator:**

I am happy to report that the project to replace the overhead lighting at the Hudson Public Works facility located at 2 Constitution Drive has been completed and all overhead fixtures have been replaced. The cost of the project was \$22,340.00. After the second payment has been made to the vendor, the request for payment will be made from the Trustees of Trust funds for reimbursement. There is currently a little bit over \$25,000 in the Energy Efficiency Capital Reserve Fund so after the reimbursement request is paid, there will be a balance of a little over \$2,660 left in the fund. (Received)....copy of the two (2) invoices we received. We've paid the first invoice (50% down payment for the project) and I've included a copy of the vendor check and the purchase order for the first payment. The second payment (balance of the project) is being processed for payment. Eventually a Rebate will come back to the Town. The tracking of the processing of the Rebate is being handled by Jess Forrence, the Director of the DPW. Once the Rebate is received and deposited the committee will be advised of the new balance in the Energy Efficiency Capital Reserve Fund.

An important note: Linda Kipnes handled all of the research and presentation of options to the BOS on this project. Thanks to Linda's efforts it will surely be a great success with a relatively short ROI for the Town of Hudson, its residents.

- Review of presentations posted to Town Website:
<https://www.hudsonnh.gov/bc-sc/page/community-choice-aggregation-options>
Standard Power and Freedom Energy Logistics
- Community Power
= Community Power NH, alternative to companies we interviewed
= see website www.communitypowernh.org
- Clean Energy NH webinar: Group Net Metering Updates
= see links posted to Sustainability website
- **Residential Recycling and Solid Waste Services Guide, and the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle list** available via clickable links on Sustainability Committee home page on the Hudson Town website.
- **Hudson Transfer Station will next be open July 10 & 31, (8:00am-12:00pm)**
2021 Transfer Station Pass Needed - 3 free per year per household, one pass needed for each drop off. Passes may be picked up only at the DPW offices Monday through Thursday 6am – 4pm, 2 Constitution Drive, Hudson. **The Transfer Station will be open each Saturday for yard waste, metal and cardboard drop-offs 8am-12noon through November.**

7. **Committee Home Page: Member list has been updated to reflect the current members and after the next BOS meeting-one alternate.**

8. **Wason Roadside Clean-up:** Discuss protocols set up and progress made last fall. Chief of Police and Director of DPW both support continuation of work along one side of Wason Rd. Committee members to discuss and then vote on whether to host a Roadside Cleanup again focusing on Wason Rd. this fall. Particular date needs to be chosen and formally submitted to the BOS for approval before any promotion of the project date can be started.

9. **Button Up NH - Energy Workshop** – currently scheduled for Sept 29 – will be held using Zoom just as the one organized for September 2020. The advantages of a Zoom presentation enables all residents in NH to “attend” with the Hudson Sustainability Committee and the Greater Hudson Chamber of Commerce listed as “Local Partners”. Robbin Adams of the Plymouth Area Renewable Energy Initiative is the NHSaves Button Up Coordinator and thus, is the committee’s contact.

10. **Community Power Aggregation:** links to recordings of presentations:
This was posted to the LES workgroup site of a meeting on May 25th -Clean Energy NH:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0DDZOQ_3rmQ

11. Review **Community Power Coalition of NH** meeting notes from May 13, 2021.
Members to vote on inviting the CPCNH to present at the July meeting.

Included in the Packet is the MOU as submitted by Standard Power/Good Energy - Standard Power/Good Energy that they will be using as an initial agreement between municipalities and their consulting team. Sustainability Committee **Members to vote** on inviting Standard Power/ Good Energy to present at August 2021 meeting of the Committee.

12. **“Bags for Benches”** – check with Hudson Lions Club and the two Hudson Facebook pages for groups collecting plastic bags for the making of plastic wood type benches.

13. **Committee Member & Selectman Liaison Comments:**

14. Selection of Next Meeting Date: July 26,2021

15. Adjourned: .

Debbie Putnam

Hudson Sustainability Committee, Chair

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