



# TOWN OF HUDSON

## Sustainability Committee Minutes



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**Nov. 28, 2022– 7PM**

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

1. **Call to Order at 7:00 pm.**
2. **Attendance taken:** Members present: Chairman Debra Putnam, Craig Putnam, Kate Messner, and Selectman Laison Brett Gagnon. Absent were Ed Thompson, Jennifer Stone-Grimaldi and Cory Boutin.
3. **Public Input:** There was no one present from the public.
4. **Approval of Minutes: October 24, 2022** (included in the Packet) by Ed Thompson was postponed until the next meeting.
5. **Reports:**
  - **Trash-Recycling Tonnage Report:** (included in the Packet) 24% Oct up slightly from the last few months. Chair encouraged to continue to use the recycling guide provided on the Sustainability Committee webpage.
  - **Expenditure Report:** (included in the Packet) Balance was \$1056.91. Expenses for posters and lettering was filed- \$308.02 (expenditure up to \$400.00 had been approved)
6. **Hudson Transfer Station: The last date the Transfer Station will be open is December 31 (8:00am-12:00pm).** The Transfer Station will NOT be open Saturdays for yard waste, metal & cardboard drop-offs 8am-12noon again until April of 2023. On December 31 a 2022 Transfer Station Pass is Needed. DPW offices are open Monday – Thursday 6am – 4pm until Monday, December 5th. **On December 5 DPW offices will go to winter hours: 8am-4pm Monday-Friday 2 Constitution Drive, Hudson.**
7. **Hazardous Waste Collections:** There are no dates scheduled for the rest of 2022. We expect that the schedule will resume in April of 2023. For more information and a complete list of accepted items, please visit:  
[www.nashuarpc.org/energy\\_environment/household\\_hazardous\\_waste\\_collections/index.php](http://www.nashuarpc.org/energy_environment/household_hazardous_waste_collections/index.php)
8. **HEAC Report:** Craig Putnam and Kate Messner updated members on the progress of the Hudson Electric Aggregation Committee.
  - a. First public hearing was held Nov 15.
  - b. BOS meeting was held on Nov 22.

- c. There will be another public hearing held on Jan 17<sup>th</sup>.

Public hearing was well attended, members of Sustainability Committee and Henry Herdon present from Community Power of NH, heard from 14 from the public. Reviewed the nature of the plan and outlined what the purpose of was. Reviewed text for the warrant article. Need to have the BOS support the article before it can move forward. Discussion of the warrant article with residents present and they were in favor of “opt out” version. Results were brought to BOS for further discussion. Decided the warrant article was too long so edited version was shown at this meeting. A mechanism for fielding questions from town residents to town hall was discussed as it was a concern of the BOS.

The draft of the Minutes of the Public Hearing will need to be approved by members at the next meeting.

9. **Warrant Article:** Craig Putnam and Kate Messner reviewed the results of their presentation to the BOS held on November 22.
10. **Get Tech Smart:** A recording session has been scheduled for December 5<sup>th</sup> with Flo Nicolas at the HCTV studio.
11. **Roadside Cleanups:** Many thanks go out to Samantha Whiting, a senior at Alvirne HS student who scheduled a cleanup a section of Greeley Street and Barrett’s Hill Rd as part of her capstone project. Thank you to all volunteers.

Looking to have another section of Wason Rd cleaned up in spring of 2023. Brainstorming around what might be done to reduce littering which is still a major problem in Hudson.

12. **The next and last meeting of this year** will be held on **December 19<sup>th</sup>**.

13. **Committee Member & Selectman Liaison Comments: None**

14. **Adjourned:** Motion to adjourn by C. Putnum, 2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Messner. Passed 3-0.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

*Edward Thompson*

*Hudson Sustainability Committee, Secretary*

November 29, 2022