



# TOWN OF HUDSON

## Sustainability Committee

### Minutes



Edward Thompson, Secretary

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**June 19, 2023– 7PM**

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

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:02pm
2. **Attendance:** Kate Messner, Ed Thompson, Craig Putnam (seated as a full member), Deb Putnam.  
Chris Thatcher and Selectman Bob Guessferd - Excused  
Jennifer Stone Grimaldi has not renewed her appointment to the committee.
3. **Public Input:** None
4. **HEAC Report:** Craig Putnam and Kate Messner updated members on all matters connected with the Hudson Electric Aggregation Committee. There are now 34 cities and towns now and 1 county with 50+ other interested in joining. Now there are 12 up and running. Launches have gone smoothly. A new CEO Brian Callnan has been appointed 5/22 at CPCNH. Eversource has announced their new rate of 12.58 cents/kWh. Its anticipated that CPCH will be posted a new rate by 8/1. All three power procurement candidates for Hudson have presented and the committee will need to make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen on Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> at their workshop meeting. Input from other municipalities that have gone through the same evaluation of candidates is being solicited. Hudson is being encouraged to submit an energy plan to CPCNH (this would be non-binding).
5. **Approval of Minutes:** May 22, 2023, Minutes – Motion to approve was made by Mr. Putnam, seconded by Ms. Messner. Motion passed unanimously.
6. **Reports:**
  - **Trash-Recycling Tonnage Report:** (included in the Packet) March 22.26% - Normal amount is running 20-25%.
  - **Expenditure Report:** (included in the Packet) Balance is \$76.82, new budget starts July 1. Any excess funds at year end (June) are turned back into the general fund for the town.
7. **Hudson Transfer Station: It is open two Saturdays each month with the next two Saturdays being: June 24 and July 8 - 8:00am-12:00noon – 2023 passes will be needed.**  
The Transfer Station is now open for yard waste, metal & cardboard drop-offs 8am-12noon on Saturdays – No Pass required!  
DPW offices summer hours are **6am-4pm Monday-Thursday** 2 Constitution Drive, Hudson.

- 8. Hazardous Waste Collections:** The schedule is resuming for 2023. The next two dates are **Saturday, August 5, 2023, 8:00AM-12:00PM** at 25 Crown Street, Nashua and **Saturday, August 26, 2023, 8:00AM-12:00PM**, at Pelham Highway Department, 33 Newcomb Field Parkway, Pelham. Cost--\$15 user fee per vehicle (cash or check), additional charges for quantities exceeding 10 gallons or 20 pounds. Carpooling encouraged!

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)

- 9. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle** – Reminder of the extensive information available to all residents 24/7 through the Hudson Town Website.
- 10.** Information gathered by Chris Thatcher (see Addendum 1 included in Packet). Information shared by Jay Twardosky, DPW Director (see Addendum 2 included in Packet). Information was presented and possible actions were discussed for future assisting the Town in “moving forward” with recyclable programs. Composting was another topic that Mr. Thatcher was looking into and Chairman Putnam explained some of the regulations that must be followed. The transfer station has several projects being looked at including a Styrofoam processing machine. Details will be discussed at the next meeting.
- 11. National Night Out:** August 1, Tuesday night at the Rodgers Memorial Library – Should we participate to have outreach regarding the power aggregation effort. Plans for set up would be by 4:30pm, manning the exhibit and teardown at 8:30pm. Motion by Ms. Mesner to attend the meeting and host exhibit, seconded by Mr. Putnam. Motion passed 4-0.
- 12. Old Home Days:** August 10-13 - Manning the booth is going to be hard to staff this year, therefore a motion was made by Mr. Thompson not to host an exhibit, seconded by Mr. Putnam. Motion passed 4-0. Instead of hosting an exhibit, a motion was made by Mr. Putnam to provide a sign for the Conservation Commission Booth– 1 page flyer and sign flyers printed not to exceed \$200, seconded by Mr. Thompson. Motion passed 4-0.
- 13. The next meeting** – July 24<sup>th</sup> 7pm. Sign mockup to be finalized.
- 14. Committee Member & Selectman Liaison Comments:** No comments
- 15. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Craig Putnam, seconded by Ed Thompson

Motion passed 4-0 to adjourn 7:55pm

*Edward Thompson*

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