



TOWN OF HUDSON

Sustainability Committee

Minutes



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July 24, 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 7:01pm.
- 2. Attendance:** Kate Messner, Craig Putnam (seated as full member), Ed Thompson, Bob Guessford (Selectmen Liaison) and Chairman Deb Putnam.
- 3. Public Input:** None
- 4. HEAC Report:** Craig Putnam and Kate Messner updated members on all matters connected with the Hudson Electric Aggregation Committee. Considerable progress has been made. New rates starting Aug 1st have been released, Eversource will be 12.58 cents/kwh. (See attached rate sheet – page 4) Other municipalities have provided feedback. Still trying to get data back. The agreement document still needs to be submitted after approval by the Board of Selectmen. The committee had a booth at the British Car Show at Alvirne HS this past weekend. Mr. Guessford asked if the redlines are clearly identified in the agreement for the BOS. Mr. Putnam explained there are only corrections to the “tense” of certain statements. To be presented the following night to the BOS.
- 5. Approval of Minutes:** June 19, 2023, Minutes – Ed Thompson – (included in the Packet) Motion to approve by Ms. Messner. Seconded by Mr. Putnam. Minutes approved unanimously.
- 6. Reports:**
 - **Trash-Recycling Tonnage Report:** (included in the Packet) June 23.86% - Fiscal year end average – 23.63% (prior year average – 23.15%)
 - **Expenditure Report:** (included in the Packet) Balance is \$76.82, new budget started July 1. The \$76.82 was added to the General Fund.
- 7. Hudson Transfer Station: It is open two Saturdays each month with the next two Saturdays being: July 29 and August 12 - 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 to pick up passes.**

- 8. Hazardous Waste Collections:** The schedule has resumed 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
- 9. National Night Out: August 1, Tuesday night at the Rodgers Memorial Library – 4:30-8:00 pm** the Sustainability Committee will have an exhibit focused on giving residents an opportunity to learn more about Community Power. Check-in is at 3:30pm with all set up being completed by 4:00pm (vehicles used to drop off items for exhibit to be moved to Alvirne Parking Lot). The HEAC moved ahead in designing and having printed 200 - 4” X 6” handouts on card stock and two 24”X36” posters to be displayed on A-Frame sign holders. The reason that 200 were printed (with an additional 100 printed by Chris Thatcher) is so the handouts can be used at a variety of events and put out in locations such as the Town Hall and Senior Center for residents to pick up and learn from. The HEAC had a tent set up at the British Car Show this past Saturday in the Alvirne parking lot. Craig and Karl briefed members on the response to the exhibit at that event. (PDFs of both the handout front and back and the poster/sign were included in the Packet for this meeting.)
Motion was made by Mr. Putnam to expend up to \$100 to purchase large quantity of sidewalk chalk to give away at the event. Seconded by Mr. Thompson. Motion passed unanimously.
- 10. Old Home Days:** As per the consensus reached at the June meeting, the Sustainability Committee will not host an exhibit. Subsequent to that meeting Debra communicated with Bill Collins of the Conservation Commission. The Commission will not be hosting an exhibit for the same reason – lack of members to man the exhibit at the level required by Old Home Days protocols. In discussions with Bill Collins and the Greater Hudson Chamber of Commerce the Chair extended an invitation to the Conservation Commission and the Chamber to give the Sustainability Committee 50 copies of the Member Directory to put out on the display table at the National Night Out on August 1.
- 11. Information gathered by Chris Thatcher** – this topic was deferred until the next meeting. Reference: (see Addendum 1 included in Packet for June meeting). Information shared by Jay Twardosky, DPW Director (see Addendum 2 included in Packet for June meeting). Information was presented and possible actions were discussed for assisting the Town in “moving forward” with new/expanded recycling programs. Composting was another topic that Mr. Thatcher was looking in to 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. These ideas will be further discussed over the course of multiple meetings.
- 12. The next meeting** – Motion made by Mr. Thompson to move meeting to Aug 21, Second by Mr. Putnam. Motion passed unanimously.
- 13. Committee Member & Selectman Liaison Comments:** Comments regarding the booth at the British Car Show. A large number of cars were displayed with members manning the booth to answer any questions regarding HEAC. Mr. Putnam discussed that we’d like to get the current power rates from two other brokers that we don’t have today’s data for.

14. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Putnam.

Motion passed unanimously.

Edward Thompson

Hudson Sustainability Committee, Secretary

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CPCNH Rates for August 1, 2023 – January 31, 2024

	UTILITY RATE												CPA RATE (GRANITE BASIC)					CUSTOMER SAVINGS				
	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN				
Eversource	Residential & General Service												12,582 ¢					13%				
Liberty	Residential												12,242 ¢					11%				
	General Service												13,257 ¢					18%				
	Residential												12,794 ¢					15%				
Untill	Residential												9,190 ¢					17%				
	General Service												8,430 ¢					15%				
Eversource	Medium Commercial												11,837 ¢					35%				
Liberty	Commercial												7,196 ¢					4%				

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	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN				
All Utilities	NEM Customers												Various default rates					Otherwise applicable rate (w/o any monetary credit for excess generation on monthly / annual basis)				
Untill	Large Commercial												Market pass-through + adder					Market pass-through + adder (for customer's capacity + RPS + CPCNH admin), subject to Board adoption of Customer Credit & Collections Policy				
Eversource	3-Part Time of Use												11,837 ¢					50%				
	Electric Vehicles												9,734 ¢					33%				
Untill & Liberty	Battery Storage												9,486 ¢					23.4%				
Liberty	Small												13,604 ¢					Granite Basic (Default Service Option)				
	Various Time-Varying Rate Structures												22,688 ¢					10.90 ¢				
NHEC & CEPS	Large												29,225 ¢					Market pass-through + adder (for customer's capacity + RPS + CPCNH admin), subject to Board adoption of Customer Credit & Collections Policy				

NOTES:
 Rates for Eversource & Untill applied at start to end of individual customer billing cycles
 Rates for Liberty applied based on calendar month (usage pro-rated across billing cycles that span calendar months)