TOWN OF HUDSON



Sustainability Committee Agenda



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February 26, 2024 – 7PM Community Development (Buxton) Meeting Room

- 1. Call to Order:
- 2. Attendance: Karl Huber excused
- 3. Public Input:
- **4. HEAC Report:** Craig Putnam, Kate Messner and Chris Thatcher updated members on all matters connected with the Hudson Electric Aggregation Committee specifically the launch of Hudson Community Power.
- **5. Approval of Minutes:** January 22, 2024, Minutes Ed Thompson– (included in the Packet)
- 6. Reports:
 - Trash-Recycling Tonnage Report: (included in the Packet) 25.53% January 2024
 - Expenditure Report: (included in the Packet) No expenditures in January 2024. The Sustainability Committee received a donation in 2016 of \$150.00. Some (\$106.75) of this donation was used to pay for the overlays on the 2'X3' A-Frame signs announcing the upcoming Public Information Session on January 31. The February Expenditure report will probably show the expenditure and then the reimbursement from the Donation account.
- 7. Hudson Transfer Station: It is open one Saturday each month from now until April.

 The next two days it will be open March 30 and April 13 8:00am-12:00noon 2024 passes will be needed. The Transfer Station is not open for yard waste, metal & cardboard drop-offs 8am-12noon every Saturday until April 6. Residents can drop off metal, cardboard and/or yard waste without the need of a Pass on March 30 and then every Saturday starting April 6.

 DPW offices are open Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:00pm 2 Constitution Drive, Hudson.
- 8. Hazardous Waste Collections: The last Hazardous Waste Collection days will resume on Saturday, April 20, 2024, 8 a.m. to Noon. Location: 9 Stadium Drive, Nashua, NH. For more information please visit:

 www.nashuarpc.org/energy environment/household hazardous waste collections/index.php

- 9. Composting: As a result of healthy discussions during the January meeting it was decided to create a subcommittee to focus on Composting options for individual residents and weigh the options for town wide composting service. One resident emailed the committee indicating their interest in participating on the subcommittee. That resident is Lisa Weber who contributed as Public Input during the January meeting. (See Word docx included in Packet about Renewal Compost.)
- **10. Visit to the Walpole Recycling Center:** Kate Messner and Debbie Putnam (Report included in Packet)
- **11. The future of Recycling in Hudson:** Discuss information and facts that Sustainability Committee members can contribute to the evolution of recycling in Hudson.
- 12. Solar Farm options for the Town of Hudson: Continued discussion recognizing input from members
- 13. Roadside Cleanups: A decision needs to be made regarding organizing a Roadside Cleanup near Earth Day 2024 followed possibly by an Earth Day Party. Earth Day 2024 is April 22nd. The Roadside Cleanup and any Party would need to be on Saturday, April 20th. Any plans for a Roadside Cleanup need to be approved by the DPW and the HPD and then submitted to the BOS for final approval before any promotion of the activity can commence. After securing approval from the DPW and the HPD a request for approval needs to be submitted by Feb 28 so the BOS can vote during their March 5th meeting. The next time the BOS meets is the end of March…too close to the Roadside Cleanup Day to allow for proper promotion to engage residents.
- **14. Management of the Sustainability Committee Facebook page:** Chris Thatcher was able to be added as an Administrator. This is a project to be worked on as time allows.
- **15.** The next meeting March 25, 2024
- 16. Committee Member & Selectman Liaison Comments:
- 17. Adjournment:

Debra Putnam
Hudson Sustainability Committee, Chair February 22, 2024