



# TOWN OF HUDSON

## Sustainability Committee

### Minutes



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Debra Putnam, Chair & Bob Guessferd, Selectmen Liaison

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**June 24, 2024**

**Community Development (Buxton) Meeting Room**

1. **Call to Order at 6:59pm**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Attendance:** Debra Putnam, Craig Putnam, Ed Thompson, Karl Huber, Alyssa Hanley, Bob Guessferd (Selectman Liaison). Kate Messner and Chris Thatcher excused.
4. **Public Input:** None
5. **Presentation Postponed until the July 22:** Hydro Group Net Metering Options for Hudson by Bart Fromuth, CEO Freedom Energy Logistics

**The order in which Agenda items were addressed was changed.  
First item to be addressed was #10, then #11, #12, and #13.**

6. **Approval of Minutes:** April 22, 2024 – Ed made a motion to approve, Craig seconded, no discussion, unanimously approved.
7. **Reports:**
  - **Trash-Recycling Tonnage Report:** 21.20% May 2024
  - **Expenditure Report:** Balance in the account is \$651.30 (Included in Packet) The Balance will be added to the General Fund on July 1, 2024.
8. **Hudson Transfer Station: The Transfer Station is now open two Saturdays each month until November. The next two days it will be open – June 29 and July 13 - 8:00am-12:00noon – 2024 passes will be needed. The Transfer Station is open for yard waste, metal & cardboard drop-offs 8am-12noon every Saturday- no Pass is required. DPW offices are open Monday-Thursday 6:00am – 4:00pm - 2 Constitution Drive, Hudson. The number of passes automatically issued is three. The Town will soon be announcing a new policy to allow residents to purchase additional passes at the start of the 24-25 fiscal year: July 1.**
9. **Hazardous Waste Collections:** The next Hazardous Waste Collection days will be Saturday, August 24, 2024, 8 a.m. to Noon. **Location:** 9 Stadium Drive, Nashua  
Please note that the next collection is not until October 5<sup>th</sup> - same time frame and location.  
For more information please visit: [www.nashuarpc.org](http://www.nashuarpc.org)

- 10. Community Roadside Cleanup (CRC) Subcommittee**—Karl Huber issued detailed documents to each member containing considerable information on the progress of the CRC. Karl's meeting with both HPD and DPW representatives resulted in forward movement towards the creation of Community Roadside Cleanup Best Practices for Safety and Success of each roadside cleanup whether hosted by a group or an individual resident. Eventually a Best Practices final document will be created, presented to the Sustainability Committee and signed off on by the HPD, DPW, and HFD. Karl Huber will manage the new procedures including the processing of any Roadside Cleanup requests.
- 11. Composting Subcommittee Updates:** Karl updated the SC regarding the two meetings that have taken place and information presented by the two different companies: Renewal Compost and Black Earth. Karl noted that the residents contributed vital input to the discussions. One idea for the future is to pull in Alvirne HS - CTE into future efforts to establish a composting program for residents.
- 12. HEAC Report:** The HEAC no longer exists as such. Craig noted that all of the HEAC members save one are now members of the Sustainability Committee. Craig explained the process of new home owners in Hudson being enrolled quarterly into Hudson Community Power. Craig explained the approximate time frame for CPCNH releasing their per kWh rates to commence on August 1.
- 13. National Night Out 2024** is on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 from 4:30 PM to 8:00 PM. It is an outdoor event and there are no plans for a rain date at this time. Linda Pilla reached out via email to let the Sustainability Committee know that a 10X10 booth space will be set aside for the committee. A consensus was reached to host an exhibit. Karl will assist with the pickup from the DPW and drop off at the Library of one 10X10 popup tent. A motion to approve an expenditure of up to \$50.00 for the purchase of additional sidewalk chalk was made by Craig, seconded by Ed and approved unanimously. During the July 22 meeting discussion will focus on the format of the exhibit including materials to display and hand out.
- 14. The next meeting** – The next meeting will be Monday, July 22.
- 15. Committee Member & Selectman Liaison Comments:** Karl thanked the residents who contribute so much to the Composting meetings. Any residents interested in participating should reach out to the committee. There was discussion regarding the need to move the next two meetings to the BOS meeting room to be able to use the Phone Conferencing system and the HDMI cable enabling Power Point presentations in that room. Debbie to make arrangements through the Town Admin office and IT department.
- 16. Adjournment:** 7:53pm Motion to adjourn made by Ed and seconded by Alyssa, no discussion, approved unanimously.

*Debra Putnam*  
*Hudson Sustainability Committee, Chair    July 19, 2024*