



# TOWN OF HUDSON

## Sustainability Committee

### Agenda



Debra Putnam, Chairman Sustainability    Dave Morin, Selectmen Liaison

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**September 28, 2020 – 7PM**

Hudson Town Hall - 12 School St., Hudson, NH 03051

**Community Development (Buxton) Meeting Room**

1. **Call to Order:**
2. **Attendance:**
3. **Public Input:** Any Hudson resident who wishes to submit public input can do so by emailing [HUDSONSUSTAINABILITY@GMAIL.COM](mailto:HUDSONSUSTAINABILITY@GMAIL.COM) by 4:30 p.m. the day of the meeting – Monday, September 28, 2020 Please be sure to include your name & address with your public input.
4. **Presentation:** Freedom Energy Logistics, Mr. Gilbert Brown and Mr. Thomas Carter –  
Topic – Community Choice Aggregation
5. **Approval of Minutes:** August 31, 2020 meeting submitted by J. Stone-Grimaldi (included in Packet)
6. **Reports:**
  - **Trash-Recycling Tonnage Report** (included in Packet): D. Putnam
  - **Expenditure Report (no expenditure in August):** D. Putnam to advise expenditure of \$140.40 for 25 “Roadside Signs” with stands which will show up in the Expenditure Report for September.
  - **Energy Conservation Report: L. Kipnes**
    - **Button Up NH:** how to access slides and presentation (available until Oct 21)
    - **Drive Electric Week, Sept 28 - Oct 1:** go to [www.cleanenergy.com](http://www.cleanenergy.com) for details of presentations Sept 28, 29, 30, and Oct 1
    - **Commission to Study Offshore Wind and Port Development:** held their first meeting, will be meeting monthly
    - **Community Power Aggregation** support: signing letter
    - **Rodgers Memorial Library** budgeted electricity costs for next year: down 25% because of light replacement project
  - **Residential Recycling and Solid Waste Services Guide, and the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle list** available via clickable links on Sustainability Committee home page on the Hudson Town website.
  - **Hudson Transfer Station is now open the SECOND and LAST Saturday of each month (8:00am-12:00pm) through November. Next two dates are Saturday, October 10 and October 31<sup>st</sup>.** Pass Needed for 2020 – 3 free per year per household, one pass needed for each drop off. Passes may be picked up only at the DPW offices Monday through Thursday 6am – 4pm, 2 Constitution Drive, Hudson.

- **Yard Waste, Metal items, and Cardboard can be brought to the Hudson Transfer Station Every Saturday April through the end of November 8:00am-12:00pm {No Pass Needed}**
- **Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Collection:** Next collection is confirmed for this coming Saturday - **October 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Nashua City Park & Ride at 25 Crown Street, Nashua.** User Fees = \$15 per vehicle, for up to 10 gallons or 20 pounds of hazardous waste. No Latex Paint, No Electronics, No Medications  
The Nashua RPC asks that all participants abide by the following:
  1. Do NOT attend if you feel sick!
  2. Do NOT exit your vehicle
  3. Masks are MANDATORY, keep windows rolled up
  4. Waste must be in the trunk or truck bed of vehicle
  5. No Containers will be returned
  6. No public restrooms available
  7. For their safety, please leave children and pets at home
 \*For additional questions regarding the Household Hazardous Waste Program, visit [www.nashuarpc.org/hhw](http://www.nashuarpc.org/hhw) or call 603-417-6570. Resident are invited to like and follow NashuaRPC on Facebook and Twitter for updates.

7. **Webinar Schedule** – Posting link on Committee home page– D. Putnam

8. **Roadside Signs:** The 25 new Roadside Signs designed by J. Stone-Grimaldi were received on Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>. R. Kahn deployed signs on Sept.23<sup>rd</sup> along Wason Rd in preparation for the Roadside Cleanup on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The signs will be retrieved approximately October 10<sup>th</sup>. The two A-Frame Roadside Cleanup signs were deployed on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> and will be picked up after the Cleanup ends on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

9. **Roadside Cleanup:** D. Putnam to update members and residents regarding plans for this important Roadside Cleanup. This is a very ambitious project being supported by the Hudson DPW and Hudson PD. Help from many volunteers will be critical to its success. All volunteers please meet at the Burns Hill Fire Station at 9:30am (plenty of parking). Safety vests, water, trash bags and blue bags for recyclables will be distributed. Hudson PD will advise how volunteers are to proceed. In addition to the Hudson PD, Hudson DPW will provide escort along with picking up full bags and larger items as volunteers progress.

10. **Presentation – October 26<sup>th</sup> meeting:** Ryan Polson of Standard Power – Explaining Community Power

11. **Committee Member & Selectman Liaison Comments:**

12. **Selection of Next Meeting Date:** As per prior vote – October 26, 2020

13. **Adjourned:** .

*Debbie Putnam*

*Hudson Sustainability Committee, Chair*

9/24/2020



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### Minutes - Draft



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**August 31, 2020 – 7PM**

Hudson Community Center, 12 Lions Ave, Hudson, NH 03051

1. **Call to Order: 7:00 pm by Debra Putnam, Chair**
2. **Attendance:** Richard Kahn, Jennifer Stone-Grimaldi, Leo Bernard, Debra Putnam, Caitlyn Chiquelin (attending remotely), Linda Kipnes is excused.
3. **Public Input:** None.
4. **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to accept by J. Stone-Grimaldi. Seconded by R. Kahn.

Discussion: Leo Bernard points out that “roll” is spelled incorrectly on the draft and needs to be corrected.

Roll call vote: R. Khan - yes, J. Stone-Grimaldi - yes, L. Bernard - abstain, C. Chiquelin - yes, D. Putnam - yes.

July 27th Minutes are approved with edit.
5. **Election of a new Secretary:**

J. Stone-Grimaldi nominates herself for secretary.

L. Bernard makes a motion to cast one vote for J. Stone-Grimaldi for secretary, C. Chiquelin seconds.

Roll call vote: R. Kahn - yes, J. Stone-Grimaldi - yes, C. Chiquelin - yes, L. Bernard - yes, D. Putnam - yes.

Motion is unanimously approved.
6. **Report by D. Putnam:** Town Administration’s response to members’ motion to hold the August meeting totally via GoToMeeting was not approved.
7. **Presentation:** Scheduled for the September 28<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Sustainability Committee: Freedom Energy Logistics, Mr. Gilbert Brown. Topic - CommunityChoice Aggregation.
8. **Reports:**
  - **Trash-Recycling Tonnage Report:** D. Putnam reports that both Derry and Merrimack experienced the same drop in recycling percentage in June as Hudson did. Fortunately, in July, the recycling percentage went back up.

- **Expenditure Report:** D. Putnam reports that our balance beginning the new fiscal year is currently \$1300. The committee's 2019-2020 fiscal year ended with a balance left of \$275.60.
- **Energy Conservation Report:** D. Putnam summarizes report compiled by L. Kipnes.

Linda is continuing to enter data on the town buildings into the portfolio manager. Members of this committee are urged to register for the local energy solutions conference, which is virtual, Oct 29th and 30th. Everyone is invited to access a webinar on electric school busses, the link to which can be accessed by reaching out to [HUDSONSUSTAINABILITY@GMAIL.COM](mailto:HUDSONSUSTAINABILITY@GMAIL.COM) where D. Putnam will email the link.

R. Kahn reports on the Volkswagon settlement that can be used by communities to buy electric municipal vehicles. He will inquire with First Student to see if they would be willing to use that funding for their own vehicles. He suggests Hudson could possibly offer charging stations or something else to incentivize the switch.

D. Morin clarifies that the school board would be the proper channel to go through for this project.

C. Chiquelin mentions that there is also another program that is not school bus specific where we could possibly use the money in another way. The town of Hudson would have to put a project proposal together. She clarifies that the school bus program is propane vehicles, not electric, which would require a different infrastructure. She suggests that a charging station would be great for the town, as people have complained that we do not have one.

D. Putnam continues to summarize L. Kipnes' report, noting that there is another webinar from Clean Energy New Hampshire on offshore wind. More information is on their website. Revision Energy is doing a webinar facebook presentation on community solar farms in Maine. There is good information on their website, [revisionenergy.com](http://revisionenergy.com). ButtonUp New Hampshire online is September 21st. There will be presentations on community power aggregation at our September 28th and October 26th meetings.

L. Bernard suggests that this information be put on our Committee website and D. Putnam agrees that this will happen.

- **Residential Recycling and Solid Waste Services Guide, and the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle list** is on Sustainability Committee pages on the Town website. D. Putnam reminds us to be careful of what we put into our recycling bins because not every plastic item can be recycled. The more correct items that go into recycling, the more our town saves on recycling costs.
- **Hudson Transfer Station is now open the SECOND and LAST Saturday of each month (8:00am-12:00pm) through November. Next two dates are Saturday, August 29 and September 12.** Pass Needed for 2020 – 3 free per year per household, one pass needed for each drop off. Passes may be picked up only at the DPW offices Monday through Thursday 6am – 4pm, 2 Constitution Drive, Hudson.
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D. Putnam suggests that if we collapse our cardboard boxes and deliver them to the transfer station, we have much more room for other items in our recycling bins.
- **Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Collection:** Next collection is confirmed for **August 29, 2020**, at the **Milford Public Works Garage**, 289 South Street, Milford, NH  
User Fees = \$15 per vehicle, for up to 10 gallons or 20 pounds of hazardous waste.

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9. **Sustainability Committee home page on Town Website:** To access “Reduce, Reuse, Recycle” information click on “Recycling Information.”

10. **Roadside Signs:**

The committee agrees to order the two-sided signs designed by J. Stone-Grimaldi, using the least expensive vendor found by C. Chiquelin.

C. Chiquelin makes a motion to order 25 signs from Imprint, seconded by J. Stone-Grimaldi.

Roll call vote: R. Kahn - yes, J. Stone-Grimaldi - yes, L. Bernard - yes, C. Chiquelin - yes, D. Putnam - yes.

Motion is unanimously approved.

11. **Roadside Cleanup:** Prior to the September meeting J. Stone-Grimaldi will design the customized section of each A-Frame Roadside Cleanup Sign. D. Putnam will arrange for the printing on larger legal sized paper. This must be completed prior to the September 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. R. Kahn volunteers to place the new roadside signs along Wason Road a week before our roadside cleanup and remove them one week after the cleanup. L. Bernard recommends he use a safety vest from the town garage. D. Putnam will place and remove the A-frame signs at the appropriate locations and times.

12. **Conservation Commission:** A reminder to residents – A Cleanup of Rangers Drive Town Forest is scheduled for September 5 & 6 starting at 9am each day - hosted by the Hudson Conservation Commission. Volunteers are welcome to meet with members of both committees at the dead end of Rangers Drive on the Saturday morning and/or Sunday morning.

13. **Button Up NH – September 21<sup>st</sup>:** Flyer and Press Release are shown. They will be advertised in a number of places. Contact the Committee email for zoom instructions.

14. **Committee Member & Selectman Liaison Comments:** C. Chicquelin reminds us that there is an election on Tuesday that is important to participate in.

15. **Next Meeting Date:** September 28, 2020, location TBD.

16. **Adjourned:** .

Motion to Adjourn by L. Bernard. Seconded by R. Kahn.

Roll call vote, R. Kahn - yes, J. Stone-Grimaldi - yes, C. Chicquelin - yes, L. Bernard - yes, D. Putnam - yes.

Motion is unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Jennifer Stone-Grimaldi  
Hudson Sustainability Committee, Secretary  
September 20, 2020



May	June	FY 2021 Totals
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		430.05
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