Unapproved Candia's Recycling/Energy Committee Public Meeting Minutes August 24, 2017

Attendance: Gail Thomas, Clay Caddy, Cinny Griswold, Al Couch, Recycling Center BOS Representative Russ Dann, associate member Dick Snow, and invited guest Ryan Polson of Standard Power of America.

Ryan explained that Standard Power is an energy consulting firm that acts as an advocate for their clients. They are affiliated with Southern NH Regional Planning, and they work with many towns, schools, and government agencies in NH.

Standard Power helps their clients to find the best energy sources and work to minimize rates by looking at all the available options. There are also special programs such as hydro power, which provides lower energy cost than other power sources. To best take advantage of all the potential savings, he has set up a group buying program through Southern NH Planning and says that Candia is ideally situated to join this group program.

Servicing of power lines stays with Eversource, and billing also stays the same. There are varying contract lengths available, from four months up to three years.

The hydro power rebate would be given to us to off-set this years' power cost if we decide to move forward. Standard Power would send a reimbursement check to the town for the rebate. We have until the end of the year to sign up and be able to get a rebate for this year's power supply. Ryan can do an analysis of our energy cost if we can get him copies of our power bills. It was decided to start with that to see what the potential savings would be.

## Other agenda items:

The group discussed a \$2300 infrastructure grant that is available for the Recycling Center. As it can only be used for capital improvements, different potential projects were discussed. It was decided that a shed roof over the oil and electronics area would be the best use for the grant.

Clay also discussed a time-line for the project of removing the Recycling Center outside wall sheathing so that better insulation can be installed. A plan for putting up the new interior signs was also discussed. We should know when the signs will be ready by next week.

Clay will be inviting a rep from another power company to speak at the next meeting.

Clay will be leaving for a couple of months starting in September and would like to move the next meeting to Sept 21. Al will check the availability of meeting rooms and we will figure out a plan.

Respectfully Submitted,

Al Couch, Recycling /Energy Committee member