## Unapproved Candia Recycling/Energy Committee Public Meeting Minutes April 26, 2018

Attendance: Cinny Griswold, Al Couch, Recycling Center Operator Chuck Whitcher, and Recycling Center BOS Representative Russ Dann.

Also in attendance invited guests Sarah Greenshields of Greenshields Electric and Bob Mitchell of Candia's Historic Motor Sports.

Sarah explained that her company does solar projects and will be installing a solar array at Historic Motor Sports. There was general discussion about solar and how it works, and she answered a number of questions regarding solar. She mentioned that solar incentives for the town are somewhat limited.

Greenshields will be installing a solar array on the roof of Historic Motor Sports. Bob will own the array, and he is hoping that it will cover all the power needs of the building and is also hoping there will be some excess power. Bob felt that by setting up an arrangement for the town to buy the excess power, it would be a good way for the town to buy some power cheap, and would also be way for the town to use clean renewable solar power without any effort. He thought that he could sell the power for an amount between wholesale and retail.

There was extensive discussion on how this could be done, and what type of contract there would be between Historic Motor Sports and the town. We would also have to make sure there would be no conflict with the town's power broker, Standard Power. Bob said he will know a lot more after the solar is installed, which should be done by the fall. He will then look at the available power and then give us some definite numbers to look at.

Cinny reviewed a report that Chester did in 2015 that compared town waste disposal costs. She noted that while Chester shows its costs are less, their recycling actually *costs* them money. Al also noted that he learned from recent his visit to the facility that their methods of recycling are very out-of-date and inefficient. Cinny would like to get the recycling return amounts of the other towns. Al and Cinny will work on that.

Chuck reviewed the recent test runs of different skid-steer machines that they have been doing. They are trying machines to make sure that the replacement for the old skid-steer will be the best possible and most suitable machine.

Russ said he has set up recycling with Moore School. He does not know yet what quantities of recyclables there will be or how the materials will be transported to the Recycle Center, but this will be worked out as they go along.

Respectfully Submitted,

Al Couch, Recycling/Energy Committee member