

Candia's Recycling/Energy Committee  
Public Meeting Minutes  
June 28, 2018

Attendance: Gail Thomas, Cinny Griswold, Linda Bergeron, Clay Caddy, Al Couch, Recycling Center Operator Chuck Whitcher, Recycling Center BOS Representative Russ Dann, and Associate Member Dick Snow. Also in attendance public attendees Frita Paris and Scott Komisarek.

Al recently spoke to the town of Northfield (pop 4800) and talked to them about the recent major change with their recycling methods that occurred. Their Board of Selectmen made the change from curbside single stream method of recycling back to their previous system of having residents go to the town transfer station and separating recyclables on site. This change was made due to the recent market change of recyclables, which made the single-stream method of collection much less cost-effective than source separation.

Chuck said he visited the Andover, NH transfer facility this afternoon with the NRRRA. They also are converting from single stream to source-separation, due to the high cost of the single-stream method.

The conversion to LED lighting at the Recycling Center was discussed. The next step in the process is to put together the 3 quotes that we have and review them at the next meeting so they can be discussed and a recommendation can be made on the best proposal. Chuck will get an updated quote from Mark Hetzel for the next meeting. It was also suggested that we have Eversource attend a meeting so we can ask questions on their special municipal programs that help to fund the conversion.

There was discussion on where we stand in getting a shed roof constructed on the back of the Swap Shop. This will make storage of bulky items possible. Cinny will speak to Twinbrook Construction for an updated quote. There was also talk about possibly using the state's prisoner program for labor or have the work done with town volunteers. Cinny also said that the Swap Shop sign is peeling and will need some work. She will call Frank Sarra to ask about doing the work.

Clay talked about setting up a day to work on the trim for the new insulated office walls. Also, he is also still trying to get detailed building plans so he can figure out the best solution to insulate the water supply pipe that freezes in the winter. Russ will ask Ron Severino again to see if he can locate the detailed plans. The question of how good the insulation of the office window is also came up, and whether it should be replaced.

Chuck said that Dennis Lewis was able to set up the use of a traffic count device so we could know how many vehicles a week come in to the Recycling Center. Chuck ran a two-week count which gave them a count of 1056 for week 1, and 1079 for week 2. He will try to set this up again in the fall when the traffic count is higher, so we can get a good weekly average traffic count.

Clay asked for an update on the Historic Motor Sports offer to share their solar power on a cost-plus basis. Al said their system is being installed now, and should be ready by the fall. They will then run the system for a while so they can know how much energy they are using, and whether they will have enough to share with the town. Bob from Historic Motor Sports will contact us again when he has the info ready.

Scott said he is very interested in getting more info on all aspects of solar, and would like to know more about it. We will try and get info to Scott on what we have gathered so far.

The Deer Run road sign and the Recycling Center signs were blown down in a recent windstorm, and need to be replaced. Chuck says he has the signs, and Russ said he will contact Dennis to ask that he get them back on the post. We also discussed a separate sign for the Recycling Center. Al asked a local business, Cutting Edge Industries, about using a sign that they seemed to no longer need, but he found out that they have just put new signs on the post. Russ thought we should still consider trying to get a separate Recycling Center sign.

Dick Snow said he would like to see the Recycling & Energy committee have a booth at Old Home Day. All seemed to think this was a good idea, and it would be a chance to offer information and answer questions on committee activities and the Recycling Center. Ideas for a booth were discussed. Russ will find out what the fee is for reserving a booth.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 27<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully Submitted,

Al Couch, Recycling/Energy Committee