

Candia Recycling & Energy Committee  
Public Meeting Minutes  
April 25, 2019

Attendance: Gail Thomas, Cinny Griswold, Dick Snow, and Al Couch.

Al will be filling in as chairman until after Memorial Day when Clay returns.

Dick asked about the town power contract. The contract has been reviewed and discussed by the committee, and it was the committee's opinion that the new contract should be approved and signed by the BOS. Russ brought the matter up at the last BOS meeting, and the Board said they would like to meet with reps from Eversource and Standard Power before they approve and sign the contract. This delay may affect the rate on the contract.

Prior to last month's R/E meeting, Cinny sent an e-mail saying she would not be able to attend, as she has been very busy with personal matters. She said that she must resign from her position on the committee. Al had asked Cinny to attend this meeting so he could recognize her for all her efforts in helping to start up the new committee in 2016, and for her extensive efforts in helping with the function of the Swap Shop. She has put in many hours for these efforts, and has made a lot of things happen. Cinny will continue her volunteer work at the Swap Shop.

The addition for the Swap Shop was discussed. Clay will lead the construction effort on this. When he gets back we will get a group of volunteers together and get the project started. Al said he will contact Dennis Lewis to give him info on the addition, and ask that he start the site preparations as soon as he is able to work it into his schedule. Gail said she has some construction material that she will donate. Others also have offered material that we may be able to use.

Recycling market- Al noted that it is unfortunate that there is so much bad publicity regarding recycling. This is due to towns like Hooksett that use the single-stream curbside method of collecting recyclables, which is not providing any return due to items being very poorly separated. We are very fortunate that Candia has a very efficient method of collecting and separating recyclables, which bring the town a very good return.

The NRRA conference and expo was discussed. This will be held May 20 & 21 in Manchester and will have a lot of useful information on recycling. Also, many recycling companies will be attending this New England wide event. It was also suggested that committee members sign up for the NRRA monthly online newsletter, as it gives a lot of information on recycling and gives the very latest info on what is happening in the recycling markets.

Facebook page- there was discussion on the great job Swap Shop volunteers are doing by posting items immediately after they come in on the Facebook page. It was brought up that the Recycling Center should also have its own Facebook page. Dick said he would work something up for that.

Next meeting will be May 23.

Respectfully Submitted, Al Couch, Recycling and Energy Committee member