Candia Recycling & Energy Committee Public Meeting Minutes December 5, 2019

Attendance: Cinny Griswold, Linda Bergeron, Clay Caddy, Russ Dann, and Al Couch

Construction of the Swap Shop addition was discussed. The addition will help with the many items being dropped off, and also help with larger items that would otherwise be left out in the weather. The construction of the addition went very well. There are a number of small things left to be done, such as trim, painting, installing a window, finishing the door, and maybe setting up some small shelving. These items will be finished when the weather gets better, or could be delayed until spring.

A letter thanking the volunteers that helped construct the Swap Shop addition was reviewed. All were in favor of sending the letter as written. The letter will be mailed to each volunteer.

Cinny also suggested putting a page in the Town Report to thank the volunteers. Russ suggested we could also do a separate page in the Town Report package.

Al went over the upcoming schedule of other Swap Shop upgrades. A heating unit will be installed by Patriot Heating on Wednesday, Dec 11. Dead River Oil will install the propane tank on Dec 12. Lighting will be installed in the addition on Dec 12.

Cinny and Linda wanted to discuss the rules that would cover specifics of items that can or cannot be accepted at the Swap Shop. Chuck would have been the key person to help with this, but he could not make tonight's meeting. We will try to set up a meeting with Chuck to discuss and finalize the list of items that can or cannot be accepted. New signage will then be set up.

A basic review of available funds for the various Swap Shop projects was discussed. We will need to figure out the amount spent for the addition so far and see if there is anything left in the Swap Shop warrant article fund. It was also suggested that we get the specific amount in the Swap Shop donation fund that could go towards the heating unit and/or for the lighting.

The Boy Scout partnership with St. Pauly Textile was discussed. St. Pauly offered the scouts a 12'x 8' shed that would be used for clothing donations. The scouts want to know if this is something that would help with clothing donations at the Recycling Center. The consensus was that the shed would be better placed off-site, as the Recycling Center already has a clothing drop-off container from Ecosmith. Also, it was felt that it would be difficult for the scouts to monitor and empty the shed as they would have to schedule work around the hours that the Recycling Center is open. Russ thought it would be best placed near the scout's log cabin. Russ said he would pass along our thoughts to scout leader Bob Martel.

Respectfully Submitted, Al Couch, Recycling and Energy Committee member