

Candia Recycling & Energy Committee
Public Meeting Minutes
June 25, 2020

Attendance:

Committee members: Clay Caddy, Russ Dann, Dick Snow, Cinny Griswold, Linda Bergeron, and Al Couch.

Dick Snow ran a Zoom video conference of the meeting. Swap Shop volunteers Matt, Pam, and Anne took part in the meeting via Zoom.

The purpose of this meeting was for discussion on the Swap Shop. The addition is now completed, and the entire building has been painted.

Cinny opened discussion asking for opinions on when to re-open and what days they should open. After listening to opinions for all participants, it was decided that the Swap Shop would open on Sunday, July 5th. The open days will be Saturday and Sunday each week. The volunteers will see how things go during the initial re-opening, and things will be changed if necessary.

It was suggested that signs be posted to note that people visiting the Swap Shop are responsible to follow all COVID 19 guidelines-things such as keeping a social distance, washing hands, using a facemask, etc. Russ will work on getting the proper signs.

Limiting the number of people in the Swap Shop was discussed. There was no decision reached on setting a specific limit, but changes will be made if necessary. It was also suggested that face masks be required. A suggestion was also made to have hand sanitizer on-hand. For items people wish to leave at the Swap Shop, Cinny said because the CDC guidelines say that items are OK to touch after 7 days, she suggested that items dropped off be marked with the date they come in and be kept quarantined in a separate area for 7 days. After 7 days, those items will be moved into areas in which people can then take them.

Russ suggested that it would be best if the volunteers sat outside of the building. He also said that to make this feasible, he would arrange for a canopy to be set up. We would need to make sure that residents understand that the canopy is for the Swap Shop, make sure that it is secured somehow, and make sure it is stored securely when not in use.

Facebook updates- it was suggested that an updated picture of the Swap Shop be done for the Candia Swap Shop Facebook site. The new guidelines for Swap Shop visits also need to be posted on the site. Ellen Boisvert Michael does the Facebook updates, and she will be asked to do the updates when she is back from vacation.

Swap Shop discussion was then concluded with the understanding that the volunteers will start with the protocols that were discussed, and then see how it goes. Changes will be made if necessary.

Clay said that the next Recycling Center project will begin soon. This project will be to construct an additional storage area in the main building. This will be above the current storage area, over the stairwell, and above the office. Clay has a list of materials needed, and he will be ordering the materials soon.

Respectfully Submitted,
Al Couch, Recycling & Energy committee member