

Candia Recycling & Energy Committee
Public Meeting Minutes
July 23, 2020

Attendance:

Committee members: Clay Caddy, Russ Dann, Dick Snow, and Al Couch. Swap Shop volunteers Cinnie Griswold and Nancy Parkman were also in attendance.

Dick Snow ran a Zoom video conference of the meeting.

The re-opening of the Swap Shop was discussed. Cinnie said that it has gone well so far, and people are glad to see it open again. Russ had set up a canopy so that the volunteers could stay outside the Swap Shop, but because it is difficult for volunteers to fold up and store every time they are there, he plans to install an awning that would be attached to the building and can be easily rolled out each time it is used.

Habitat for Humanity- arrangements were set up a while back so that furniture that is at the Swap Shop could be donated to them. Various problems have stopped Habitat from picking up furniture, but Russ will talk with them to see if things can be set up to make it happen. A working arrangement would help both the town and Habitat, as the town would avoid paying to dispose of furniture, and Habitat can use it to raise funds for their programs.

Russ said that he had a call from Ryan Polson of Standard Power to ask if we wanted to meet to discuss additional discounts for the town's power. Russ will talk to Ryan and set up a date for him to attend a meeting.

Clay said that he was making arrangements to get the materials to start construction for the long-awaited storage area for the main building. This will greatly expand the limited storage capacity that Chuck now has available. Materials should be available next Thursday, and Clay will start construction on Friday. Construction should be completed in about two weeks.

Russ asked about gathering information on converting the street lights to LED. Other towns have saved a lot of money by converting, both in power costs and maintenance. Al will get copies of the power bills for the Recycling Center, so we know how much the conversion has saved the over one full year. That will give us an idea of how cost effective it would be to convert the street lights.

Household Hazardous Waste Day was discussed. It will be held on will be Saturday, September 19th.

The next meeting will be Thursday, August 20th.

Respectfully Submitted, Al Couch, Recycling & Energy Committee member.