

Candia Recycling & Energy Committee
Public Meeting Minutes
March 25, 2021

Attendance:

Committee members: Clay Caddy, Russ Dann, Dick Snow, and Al Couch.

Gail Thomas attended via zoom.

Dick Snow set up the meeting to be available on Zoom.

Dick Snow made a motion to approve all committee minutes from July 28, 2016, to February 25 2021. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve all minutes.

Roadside pick- up was discussed. Publicity for the event will be with flyers handed out at the Recycling Center. Also, flyers will be available at the town office, and the information will be posted on the town website. Clay will look into using the school sign board and the CYAA sign board. After discussion on dates, it was decided that the specific roadside pick-up dates would be the second Saturday of April to the fourth Saturday of April. Blue trash bags have been provided free by NH the Beautiful, and they will be available at the Recycling Center and the Town office for use by volunteers for the roadside program. Russ said that Chuck will set up an area with a sorting table and barrels as he has done in the past so that committee members can separate recyclable items from the bags that are dropped off at the Recycling Center.

LED Street light conversion was discussed. The committee now has three quotes on the conversion of the street lights. Based on our previous reviews and discussion of the proposals we now have, we were ready to choose a proposal that we could recommend. A motion was made and the vote was unanimous in favor of the Affinity proposal, as they were not only the lowest price, but had retrofitted many other communities in New England and were highly regarded.

Discussion on the email from NH Solar Choices was discussed. This company is looking for town owned land that might be considered to be leased for installation of a solar farm. Although the town would get some money from a lease arrangement, it was felt that there could be a number of disadvantages- such as finding a suitable site, having access to three-phase power, and possibly offending residents abutting a property with solar panels. After discussing the potential pros and cons, it was decided that we should hold off taking any action at this time.

Next meeting will be April 22, at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Al Couch, Recycling & Energy Committee member