Candia Recycling & Energy Committee Public Meeting Minutes September 23, 2021

Attendance:

Committee members: Clay Caddy, Russ Dann, Gail Thomas, Dick Snow, and Al Couch. Dick Snow set up the meeting to be available on Zoom.

Review HHHW Day- The plan for this Saturday's Household Hazardous Waste Day was discussed. Clay, Russ, and Al need to arrive between 7 and 8 am to set up and get everything ready. We will also be checking Recycling Center stickers and have extra stickers on hand to give them to Candia residents that don't have one. The hours for HHHW will be from 8 am opening to 1 pm, but will be shortened if the dollar amount for collection exceeds the budgeted amount.

Russ reviewed a CYAA event that is being run to inform Candia residents about the town and to give information on the various departments and committees in town. The Community Meet and Greet event will be held Thursday evening, October 21, at the CYAA building. Russ and Al will attend this event to offer information on the recycling programs and on energy projects.

Al gave updates on the street light LED conversion. The conversion is now completed for all town-owned lights. Al has been in touch with the Affinity LED rep to try to set up a meeting to get a summary of the project, get the GIS mapping of the lights, and to do additional assessments on other town lights so that we can get quotes for conversion. The representative, Andrew, has been extremely busy and has not had time to meet with us.

This week, Al was able to set up a meeting with Andrew on Tuesday, October 5. Andrew will be traveling from one project to another and will be traveling near Candia on that day, so he committed to set aside a couple of hours to wrap up the Candia project. Russ and Al will meet with him sometime around noon at the Town office.

Clay has completed the shed roof that was constructed to cover the new waste-oil containers and the electronic recycling area. Clay was thanked for his donation of time and labor to single-handedly complete this important project.

Russ said he is currently working with Chuck on the Recycling Center budget for next year, which will include some projects to implement some much-needed improvements to the Recycling Center site.

Al brought up the fact that people have been leaving items near the clothing drop-off boxes on Raymond Road. Some of the items, such as mattresses, are likely being left there to avoid the Recycling Center fees. Russ said he has spoken to the property owner, Ron Severino, who has put the unwanted items in his dumpster, which means he is paying the disposal fee. Ron told Russ he will be monitoring the site to try to keep people from dropping off inappropriate items.

The next meeting will be on October 28 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Al Couch, Recycling and Energy Committee member