## Candia Recycling & Energy Committee Public Meeting Minutes July 24, 2025

Attendance: Clay Caddy, Janet Lewis, Gail Thomas, Russ Dann, and Al Couch.

The minutes from the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

Old Home Day- There was a general discussion on the many things we will need to get together for the booth we have reserved at the event. Russ said he has a canopy, and Clay said he can bring a table. We will also need a banner, a sign, and all the recycling literature. Clay said he has made arrangements with Chuck to get some bales of recyclables for display at the booth. Janet mentioned we should also have 'Oscar' on display. Oscar is the wood carving that is the Recycling Center's mascot. The Old Home Day hours will be 11 am to 2 pm. We will need to start setting up a 9 am.

We will also need to find out if Household Hazardous Waste Day has been set up. If Chuck has set up a specific date, we should make sure that we have that literature piece to hand out.

Standard Power- Al reviewed the details of the arrangement the town currently has with this company. Basically, they are a broker that works with municipalities to look for the best place for towns to buy their power from. They also aggregate towns to help lower power rates, and they try to find sources that use renewable energy, such as wind, solar, and hydro. Ryan has previously contacted the Town Administrator for a renewal of the contact, but the committee suggested we look at all the information before renewing the contract.

After reviewing the current Standard Power documents, it was decided that we should contact Ryan and suggest he attend a BOS meeting to review all the information with them. Al said he will get in touch with Ryan to get things set up for a future BOS meeting.

Lithium Ion batteries- A recent e-mail memo from NH Recycles notes that the state has now instituted a law that officially bans the disposal of lithium-ion batteries in the trash. It has been strongly suggested that all recycling facilities post a sign so that everyone knows not only that it is dangerous to put these batteries in the trash, but also that it is now also illegal to put them in the trash. The Recycling Center has already been collecting these batteries, but a sign would remind people that lithium batteries must be disposed of properly.

Next month's meeting- The next regularly scheduled meeting would be after Old Home Day. Because it's important to make sure we have everything ready for the event, Clay said we should try to hold the meeting a week earlier so we can finalize our plans. Clay will try to reserve the meeting room for the week before Old Home Day, and will notify the committee when the day has been determined.

Respectfully Submitted, Al Couch, Recycling & Energy Committee member