Candia Recycling & Energy Committee Public Meeting Minutes September 25, 2025

Attendance: Clay Caddy, Russ Dann, and Al Couch

Clay talked about the events the committee has been involved in- Household Hazardous Waste Day, and Old Home Day. He said he was pleased that both events went very well. Besides helping with a very busy Hazardous Waste Day, it also gave the committee a chance to connect with residents, hand out useful information, and to answer their questions.

Al gave an update on the status of the Standard Power contract. The current contract will expire in November. Ryan attended the previous committee meeting, and was asked to put together information on the contract renewal. Al called him a few days ago to get an update, and Ryan said he was currently putting together quotes for the contract. When he has the details put together, we will try and meet with him to review the contract, and will then pass all the information to Amy.

Kearsarge Energy- Al said Amy recently sent information on another power company that had contacted her. They are a solar energy company located in Boston. Al handed out copies of the letter Kearsage sent to Amy, and said that he will contact them to get more information on the company, and find out what they might be able to do for the town.

Recycling and Trash Talk- This will be a talk at the library by Duncan Watson, who is the author of a book about trash and recycling. Duncan has also been head the Keene solid waste program for many years. His talk had been previously scheduled at the library, but it was cancelled. The talk was recently re-scheduled, and it will now be held at the library on October 23rd at 6:30 pm. Because the talk and our next meeting are at exactly the same date and time, Al suggested cancelling the meeting so that we could attend the talk, because it could be very informative for the committee. All agreed and said that they would like to do that.

NH Network- Dick Snow had previously sent out information on this organization that has several action groups working on ways to properly recycle, and how to minimize recycling impact on climate issues. As Dick is not here tonight, we don't know what action he might suggest regarding this group. We will look into this again at a future meeting.

Status of plastic bags- Al asked what the status was of the plastic bag recycling. Clay said that Chuck has a total of 4 bales that have been done so far, but he will need 40 bales before they can be picked up by the company that recycles them.

Next month's meeting will not be held due to the committee's attendance at the Recycling & Trash talk event at the library.

Respectfully Submitted,
Al Couch, Recycling & Energy Committee member