



## **Recycling Sustainability Committee**

### **Minutes**

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Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> 2019

5:30pm

Hudson Town Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room

**Committee members present: Michael Delfino, Sean Frey, Jacqueline Gillis, Jillian Jagling, Fred Lucy II, Kathryn Nardozza, Steven Sharek**

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#### **New business**

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Jillian Jagling called the meeting to order at 5:34pm. All committee members were present.
2. **Introduction of Recycling Sustainability Committee Members:** Committee members introduced themselves. Also present was Kelli Calo (Director of Public and Community Health), Irene Congdon (MassDEP rep), and John Melillo (resident).
3. **Review purpose of RSC:** Purpose of the RSC is to create a potential curbside pickup program for the Town of Hudson, and to have a set of recommendations to present to the Board of Selectmen by September 2019.
4. **Establish/Assign roles and responsibilities (Chair, Vice Chair, etc.):** Fred Lucy nominated Steve Sharek as RSC Chair, seconded by Michael Delfino, all in favor. Fred Lucy nominated Michael Delfino as Vice Chair, seconded by Steve Sharek, all in favor. Kelli Calo will be recording secretary for the RSC, and the Clerk position will be rotating among the RSC members.
5. **Review results of "Hudson Trash and Recycling Survey":** The survey was sent out with the Town census, and to date, there have been 2,925 survey respondents entered into Google Forms. The Health Department still has more to enter. RSC committee members reviewed the Hudson Trash and Recycling Survey. Fred Lucy suggested pulling out the respondents who indicated that they are in condos to gain a more accurate number of pickup vs. transfer station. Mr. Lucy said it was important to increase the number of residents who use the transfer station.

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6. **BP/ Transfer Station update:** In November 2018, the Board of Selectmen approved the move of the transfer station behind the wastewater treatment facility. BP has evaluated the lot and has a preliminary plan. The next step is to file for a permit with MassDEP. After this, they will be applying for local permits and hope to begin construction next spring. Ms. Calo explained to the RSC that the Town of Hudson received grant funds to support a curbside pickup program from MassDEP. This includes up to \$115,500 for wheeled recycling carts and up to \$165,000 in pay-as-you-throw start-up funds. Ms. Congdon indicated that the amount received depends on the amount of households that sign up for the program.

Mr. Frey said the committee should discuss "Community Outreach" at each of its meetings to figure out ways to educate town residents about recycling and the work being done by the committee. The committee agreed to put community outreach on the next RSC agenda, and subsequent agendas to make sure the community is informed about the work being done in the committee.

7. **Assign take-away tasks:**

- a. Complete inputting the surveys into Google Forms (Health Department)
- b. Combing through the data (Sean Frey, Kathryn Nardozza, and Kelli Calo)
- c. Send out BP Contract to the RSC (Kelli Calo)
- d. Determine how many transfer station tags were distributed in 2018 (Kelli Calo)
- e. Gather cost data of different programs throughout the commonwealth (Irene Congdon)
- f. PowerPoint of different types of programs (Irene Congdon)
- g. Discuss community outreach at the next RSC meeting

8. **Determine regular meeting schedule:** The next meetings for the RSC will be held on April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30pm, third floor conference room in the Town Hall.
9. **Adjournment:** On a motion duly made and seconded, the committee voted to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.

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