

Recycling Sustainability Committee Minutes

Tuesday, July 9th, 2019 5:30pm Hudson Town Hall, 3rd Floor Conference Room

Committee members: Steven Sharek (Chair), Michael Delfino (Vice Chair),

Sean Frey, Jacqueline Gillis, Jillian Jagling, Fred Lucy II, Kathryn Nardozza

New business

- 1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 5:31pm. All Committee members were present. Also present were Kelli Calo (Director of Public and Community Health) and Irene Congdon (MassDEP rep).
- 2. **Approval of Minutes of June 4th, 2019:** Michael Delfino motioned to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Jacqueline Gillis. The motion carried 7-0.
- 3. Recap of Public Forum (June 18th): Ms. Calo stated that she thought that the meeting went well and there was good attendance. Ms. Nardozza was able to capture questions that were asked by the audience. The RSC reviewed the questions and answers. Sean Frey noted that there lacked attendance from the middle-aged demographic, which is a large population of Hudson. He noted the need to have this population be involved, aware, and provide feedback on the program. The RSC discussed ways to get this population involved. Ideas included notices in electric bills, with next year's town census, and for the "backpacks" of students in the Hudson Public Schools. The committee also discussed getting notices out to local Facebook sites, including sites for parents of school-age children and for the Hudson Moms group. The next Public Forum will occur in September.
- 4. **Size of Trash and Recycling Carts:** Michael Delfino motioned to have 64-gallon carts for both trash and recycling. The motion was seconded by Jillian Jagling. The motion carried 7-0. Jackie Gillis suggested that the committee learn more about the town's Recycling Dividend Program (RDP) grant which comes from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. Fred Lucy again stated that the town should create an Enterprise Fund to keep money for the curbside trash and recycling program separate from other town funds.

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- 5. **Discussion of Next Meeting with Hauler(s):** The RSC decided to send a list of questions to all haulers licensed with the Board of Health. The deadline to remit the answered questions will be July 30th in order to be reviewed at the next RSC meeting.
- 6. **Website Updates:** Ms. Calo explained that our domain, www.sustainablehudson.org is live and re-directs to the Hudson Health Department page for the RSC. The Facebook page is also live. The Public Forum powerpoint is posted on both the website and Facebook pages to allow those who were unable to attend, to get this information. Ms. Calo said she will add additional information as the program nears completion. Kathryn Nardozza suggested putting on educational materials, and Fred Lucy suggested the Municipal Advocate "Recycling and Solid Waste" edition.
- 7. **Billing Discussion:** The RSC discussed that the Hudson Light and Power would be the best fit for billing. Mr. Sharek and Ms. Calo agreed to meet with the HLP Director and Mr. Tom Moses about this possibility.
- 8. Next Committee Meeting:
 - a. Tuesday, August 6th at 5:30pm, Hudson Town Hall 3rd Floor Conference Room
 - b. Tuesday, August 27th at 5:30pm, Hudson Town Hall 3rd Floor Conference Room
 - c. Public Forum: Tuesday, September 10th at 6:30pm, Hudson Police Station
- 9. **Adjournment:** A motion was made and duly seconded to adjourn at 6:50pm.

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