## TOWN OF HUDSON

## Sustainability Committee Agenda



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## February 24, 2025 Buxton Meeting Room -7:00pm

- 1. Call to Order:
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Public Input:
- 4. Attendance: Karl Huber excused
- 5. Approval of Minutes: from December 16, 2024 & January 27, 2025 Ed Thompson (Included in Packet)
- 6. Reports:
  - **Trash-Recycling Tonnage Report:** 23.65% (Included in Packet)
  - **Expenditure Report:** Current balance is \$736.50 (Included in Packet)
- 7. Hudson Transfer Station: The new "2025 Solid Waste Brochure", also showing up as the "2025 Residential Solid Waste and Recycling Guide," is now available 24/7 through both the DPW Transfer Station Hours & Rules and the

Sustainability Committee page: Recycling & Solid Waste Services Guide.

The committee will include an update during a future meeting as to when printed brochures will be available at the Town Hall and DPW.

Information specifically regarding recycling can be accessed directly via **casella.com/RecycleBetter**.

Those residents with questions regarding trash collections or recycling that are not answered by reviewing the full document should call  ${\bf CASELLA}-603-623-7933$  during normal business hours.

DPW offices are open Monday-Thursday 6:00am – 4:00pm - 2 Constitution Drive, Hudson.

The option of dropping off cut-up cardboard, metal and/or yard waste on any Saturday will resume in April.

The next two dates when the Transfer Station will be fully open are March 29 & April 12 – 8:00am-12:00pm.

**CASELLA:** Tony Belanger emailed links to two Casella Public Awareness Ads that CASELLA had produced for informational purposes on TV covering all regions where the company has a presence. Tony has authorized Hudson to use either one to help get the word out to Hudson residents through HCTV. Michael Johnson, Director of Community Media, has indicated HCTV's willingness to "broadcast" either, as long as a quick PSA (1-2 minutes) is recorded by either Jay Twardosky or his designee, or by a member of the Sustainability Committee, approved by Jay or his designee.

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8. Hazardous Waste Collections: The next collection event will be in April 2025. Please visit: http://www.nashuarpc.org/hhw or call 603-417-6570.

NOTE: Old medications\_can be dropped off in the bin within the vestibule at\_the Hudson Police Department. Syringes (in a hard-shell container) can be dropped off at local hospitals SNHMC and St. Joe's Hospital. The CASELLA 2025 Solid Waste Brochure includes more information.

- 9. Update on Sustainability initiatives beyond Hudson "Re-Use and Zero Waste as the New Normal" by Kate Messner
- **10. Hudson Community Power** Craig will update the committee on news related to Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire. (Updated CPCNH Supply Rates included in Packet)
- 11. Legislation to Address Climate Change by Bob Larson
- 12. Community Roadside Cleanup (CRC)—A courtesy article was published in the January 9<sup>th</sup> and February 20<sup>th</sup> editions of The Hudson Times. The members voted to host the cleanup on April 19<sup>th</sup> The CRC committee, Karl Huber, has taken the lead on communicating with the DPW, HPD and, if appropriate, the HFD on which road they recommend and can give support. A decision as to which road must be made by March 6<sup>th</sup> to allow time for printing. An A-Frame sign promoting the April 19<sup>th</sup> Roadside Cleanup will be set at the exit of each of the two polling stations on March 11<sup>th</sup>. The sign is reuseable as only a legal-size sheet of paper needs to be taped on the laminated signs created a few years ago. Small, printed handouts will be available for voters to take home. The printing expense will be covered by the fact that the Chair is allowed to spend up to \$25.00 without a formal vote.
- **13. The Future:** We look to improve communication and collaboration with the departments, boards and committees in the Town of Hudson with the Selectmen Liaison and the DPW Director, as an ex officio member, involvement being key to the effectiveness of the Sustainability Committee.

Election of a Vice Chair.

- **14.** The next meeting March 24, 2025 at 7pm.
- 15. Committee Member & Selectman Liaison Comments:
- 16. Motion for Adjournment:

Debbie Putnam
Hudson Sustainability Committee, Chair February 20, 2025