

Candia Recycling & Energy Committee
Public Meeting Minutes
January 22, 2026

Attendance: Clay Caddy, Russ Dann, and Al Couch

A person had recently contacted Chuck and suggested that he install a used waste-oil furnace so that he could use some of the waste oil that residents bring in. Chuck talked to Clay about this, and Clay said that from his knowledge of others that are using waste-oil furnaces, it could be a problem for a number of reasons: Besides being a major installation project, the furnace can get clogged up with sludge in the oil. It would need several filters which need to be changed monthly. Also, if the oil is contaminated, that could stop it from operating and would require a major cleaning to remove the contaminated oil. Clay said that it's best if Chuck continues to use the electric heater. Recycling the waste oil will continue to earn revenue, and it will be reused after it gets tested and cleaned by the recycler.

NH Recycles Conference- Al said that the annual conference will be held on May 18th. This annual conference is organized by NH Recycles, which is a vital and important organization for recycling in New England. The conference has booths for many recycling companies and organizations in New England, and has conference speakers that give the best and latest information on recycling. In the past, Chuck has arranged to pay the entry fee for committee members to attend. Al asked if Russ would see if Chuck can set that up for this year's conference.

The committee spoke with Ryan Polson of Standard Power several times to discuss a contract renewal for the town's energy supply. After passing along the information to the Board, it was reviewed and the contract has been renewed for two more years. The contract gives the town a better rate than the Eversource rates.

Group Net Metering- Al said that the Town Administrator had sent him information on a company called Kearsarge Energy that offered rebates on the town power supply without any investment or commitment. The rebates are offered with a program called Group Net Metering that was initiated by the state. Al said he did a lot of research on this- called the NH State energy office, called other towns using it, and communicated with, and also met with the representative from Kearsarge. After extensive review, everything looked good, and it was then brought to the Board. The Board approved joining the Group Net Metering program.

Community Power- Russ asked what the status was of the Community Power program. A committee was formed several years ago to look at the program and get it started if they felt that the program would be good to implement. No one knew what the current status was, but we will look into it to find out what the current status is.

Next meeting will be February 26th.

Respectfully Submitted,

Al Couch, Recycling & Energy Committee member