SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE Meeting 01/30/2024

NO MEETING WAS HELD IN DECEMBER of 2023

PRESENT: Nancy, Herb, Brenda, Jan Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm Approved Minutes for November meeting

Agenda Items -

projects for upcoming year

1). "The Buzz" newsletter/ monthly "Sustainability Snippets". - Brenda to write an intro and first snippet on Plastic bags. Other snippet topics:

Forest Carbon - Jan (March depending on town meeting items filling newsletter)

Earth Day - ?

Cutting Boards - Nancy

Dishwashing vs. Handwashing utensils - Brenda

PFAS, Testing in Bristol - Herb and Jan

- 2) Program at Library. March 19 co-sponsored by us and the library New Hampshire: "Preparing for Climate Change". Jan to co-ordinate press contacts with library and put out info end of February/early March.
- 3) Earth Day is April 22, Monday. We should look into what is going on around the area and promote this in "The Buzz." Will discuss at Feb. meeting.
- 4) Clean Up Bristol Day. June 1st it will be in spring/summer town brochure. TTCC has confirmed it is o.k. to use the pavilion at Kelley Park.
- 5) Possible art project with Library Nancy
- 6) Continue involvement with statewide Plastics Group/ keep up on legislation this session.
- 7) Recyclable utensils Agenda item for our next meeting. We will get a report ready that we can distribute to town organizations. Jan to work on report. Talk to TTCC in the spring.

OTHER ITEMS:

Warrant article on Community Power - Nancy to ask Paul Bemis to our Feb. meeting to give a report.

Solar at TTCC? - Jan to contact Les to find out if this has been looked into as part of renovation.

Plastics:recycle as last resort - Brenda saw a zoom program on plastic use and will try to get the presenter to come to our March meeting to discuss how we can use this locally.

Town All Committee meeting - Nancy, Jan, and Herb attended. Good discussion at that meeting on how to improve communication across town meetings. Would our committee benefit from being combined into another committee, ex. Energy, economic development, planning?

Next meeting set for Feb. 13 at 6:30 pm at Minot Sleeper Library. Meeting adjourned 7:40 pm

Respectfully submitted by Janet Metcalf, Secretary