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Regular Meeting/Public Hearing
January 9th, 2020
Town Hall, 2nd Floor Auditorium
109 Front Street, Winchendon, MA 01475

PRESENT: Chairman Kyle Bradley, Vice-Chairman David Whitaker, Tony George, April Mills,
David Koonce, Conservation Agent

MATERIALS: Agenda & Notice of Meeting: January 9th, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Kyle Bradley called the meeting to order at 7:00PM

MINUTES: October 24th, 2019, November 14th, 2019, December 12th, 2019

Tony George made a motion to approve the minutes from 10/24/19, 11/14/19, & 12/12/19
2nd by David Whitaker.

VOTE- Unanimously approved.

BILLS: Tony George made a motion to pay the secretaries, 2nd by David Whitaker.

VOTE- Unanimously approved.

HEARINGS:

7:05PM Request for Determination of Applicability

Applicant: Erika Niles

Project Address: 62 Webster Street; Assessor's Map 5A-3, Lot 181

Representative: Richard Zwahlen

Project Description: Removal of a 4' x 11' covered deck followed by replacement in the same footprint with an addition on a block foundation. Also, construction of a 12' x 12' (144 sq. ft.) deck and staircase.

The deck is being placed on the existing lawn and is 50' from the wetlands. The plans were submitted to the building department but Mr. Zwahlen did not have them on hand at the meeting so the commission was unsure of a decision.

Tony George made a motion to continue the hearing and approve the removal and reconstruction of the 4' x 11' deck, 2nd by David Whitaker.

VOTE- Unanimously approved.

7:10PM Notice of Intent (cont'd)

Applicant: Sunpin Solar Development, LLC

Project Address: 185 Baldwinville Road; Assessor's Map 13, Lot 4

Applicant: Steven Herzog, AMEC Massachusetts, Inc.

Representative: Chris Guida, Fieldstone Land Consultants, PLLC

Project Description: Construction, operation, and maintenance of a 3.135 megawatt direct current ground-mounted solar photovoltaic system, including access road, perimeter fence, stormwater management infrastructure, grading, and landscaping.

Andrew Vardakis, engineer and project manager with WOOD, and Bill Behling, director of business development with Sunpin solar introduced themselves. Since the last meeting, a new design was created to remove the panels around the perimeter of the 50' buffer zone and pushed back to the 75' buffer. Those panels were moved to the small isolated wetlands area in the center of the project, and a replicated 2:1 scale wetlands was created to compensate. They addressed Tighe & Bond's comments and submitted the new plans to them to review. Tighe & Bond's peer review was not completed yet so the commission decided to continue the hearing to the next meeting.

Kyle Bradley joined the meeting.

Kyle Bradley made a motion to continue to hearing to February 13th at 6:00PM, 2nd by Tony George.

VOTE- Unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS: Vote and sign Enforcement Orders:

- 55 Island Road (deck)

Tony George made a motion to resend an enforcement order with the deadline of completion by March 31st, 2nd by Kyle Bradley.

VOTE- Unanimously approved.

- 579 Brown Street (addition)
- 42 Alger Street (driveway, deck)

Tony George made a motion to send an enforcement order to meet with the 2 applicants on March 12th, 2nd by Kyle Bradley.

VOTE- Unanimously approved.

- Vote on Millers Run road acceptance

Tony George made a motion to accept Millers Run road, 2nd by Kyle Bradley.

VOTE- Unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS: Joint meeting with Board of Selectmen tentatively scheduled for July 6th.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:44PM

Respectfully submitted,

Brianna Roberts

Brianna Roberts, Conservation Commission Recording Secretary

Kyle Bradley

Kyle Bradley, Chairman

David Whitaker

David Whitaker, Vice-Chairman

Tony George

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April Mills

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