

PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED LL 4 WIND ENERGY FACILITIES

REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 21, 2017

At the Public Hearing & Regular Meeting held on Monday, August 21, 2017 at the Hopkinton Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Wood, Councilpersons Lyon, Parker, Sochia, Crump.

OTHERS PRESENT: Clerk French, Allen Fukes Assessor, Frances Hazelton, Douglas Witherell, Michelle Huto, Corey Sheldon, Debra Parker, Peter Parker, Michelle White, Amber Lindsey, Lisa Gray, Bill Barkley, Sherry Barkley, Wayne Akley, Rick Perkins, Jane Ignacio Sunde Golan, John Mahoney, Kelly Johnson-Eilola, Brenda Butterfield, Eli Sochia, Cindy Niles, Michael Walter, Alicia Walter, Thomas Farns, Richard Manning, Patricia Belile, William Fox, Piper Sochia, Robin Wolpin, Robin Gary, Dennis Avery, Brigitte Snell, Christina Snell, Jessie Bonno, Lorena Charleson, Tim Helfter, Paula Helfter, Bonnie Helfter, Laura Murphy, Robin Atwood, MJ Toomey, Dan Murdie, Frank Potenzano, Kelly Potenzano, Nancy Horan, Mary Mahlstedt, Dieter Mahlstedt, Debra Baldwin, Brandon Baldwin, Tom Whitesell, Dave Fullerton, Amanda Potter, Janice Pease, Joe Pease, Lorie Wells, Sandy Maine, Marcia Schaefer, Ricky Hooper, Clarissa Martin, Evelyn Bowden, Reg Bowden, Shen-Zhuang Chien, Charles Prescott, David Slater, Ann Slater, Dean Laubscher, Fred Anderson, S.G., John Schlabach, Noah Schlabach, Sam Schlabach, Susan White, Jeff White, Theresa Drentwett, Karl Drentwett, Rick Eakins, Ashley Hootman, Richard Eakins, Greg Ermold, Larry Drake, Leslie Hickman, Meghan Hickman, Mose Miller, Nathan Collins, Reuben Miller, Jim Spear, Angela Spear, Cheryll Phippen, Moses Yoder, Levi Zook, Justin Fox, Kelly Pullano, Luke Daily, Katie Parker, Cameron Crump, Albert Schlabach, Christopher Molella, Michael Effron, Paula Youmell, Elaine McDonald, John McDonald, ? Rice, Beth Rosenbarker, Guy Rosenbarker, Sarah Ferrar, Bob Emmett, Deb Rust.

Supv. Wood called the Public Hearing to order at 7:15 p.m.

Supervisor Wood read aloud the Notice of Publication for the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 4 Wind Energy Facilities.

Supervisor Wood read aloud the Rules of Order for the Public Hearing. Each person wishing to comment will be given three minutes, any disruptive persons will be given a warning and if disruption continues will be asked to leave.

The following persons spoke against the Proposed Local Law Wind Energy Facilities stating their concerns with the Health Hazards, Environmental impacts, Fire danger, reduced property values extension of Wind Overlay Zone PILOT payments; Jeff Snell, Janice Pease, Joe Pease, Bob Blum, John McDonald, Theresa Drentwett, Karl Drentwett, Sandy Maine, Robin Wolpin, Amber Lindsey, Bill Converse. Kathy McKay, Anne Britton, Kelly Charleson, Susan White, Kelly Johnson-Eilola, Nancy Horan, Luke Daily, Sara Ferrar, Leslie Hickman, Kelly Pullano, Angela Spear, Fred Anderson, Robin Gary, Dean Laubscher, Richard Manning, Justin Fox, Tim Helfter, Corey Sheldon, Clarissa Martin, Brandon Baldwin.

Supervisor Wood warned Jeff Snell for the third time to stop being disruptive to the hearing. She requested that he leave the Public Hearing. Mr. Snell left the Public Hearing at 7:50 p.m.

The following persons spoke in favor of the Proposed Local Law Wind Energy Facilities stating that the Board needs to listen to the majority of its taxpayers not groups, tax reduction, increase in tax base, make sure there are trust funds set-up that the town controls to insure the town is not left with any burdens, Board needs to look at the set-backs and think about decreasing them.

Debbie Parker, Frank Potenzano, Kathleen Potenzano, Phil Barkley, Ricky Hooper, Richard Eakins, Amanda Potter.

All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the Hearing was terminated at 8:45 p.m.

Supervisor Wood called the Regular meeting to order at 8:50 p.m.

*Supervisor Wood stated that there needs to be a correction in July 17, 2017 minutes; Parishville Recreation contract is for a five week period not four week.

Ms. Lyon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Parker to accept minutes of Regular Meeting held on July 17, 2017 as presented. Adopted unanimously.

Mr. Sochia made a motion, seconded by Mr. Crump to accept Supervisors Monthly Financial Report for June & July 2017 as presented. Adopted unanimously

Voucher Nos. 193 to 223 General Fund Abstract 8 in the amount of \$44,629.62 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 87 to 100 Highway Fund Abstract 8 in the amount of \$33,948.68 were audited and approved by the Board.

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Voucher Nos. 14 to 16 BHLS Fund Abstract 8 in the amount of \$4,674.98 were audited and approved by the Board.

Mr. Crump asked if the bill in Highway for \$17,000.00 was for the truck that was in accident. Mr. Green responded that it was and was being reimbursed by the insurance company.

Ms. Lyon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Crump to pay the bills. Adopted unanimously.

Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to make the following Transfer in the General Fund:

From A1990.4 Contingent Acct. to A1420.4 Attorney Contractual \$3,036.00. Adopted unanimously.

Correspondence:

BHLS: minutes of meeting held on August 8, 2017.

Town of Parishville: regarding number of registered campers that attended the Summer Rec program. There was a total of 105, with 20 from the Town of Hopkinton.

Email Correspondence:

Robert O'Marah: speaking out against the proposed wind farm.

Vance Eakins: asking the Board to accept the recommendations of the Wind Advisory Board.

Kelly Charleson: asking the Board to protect the residents and determine what is best for the whole town, not just a few or a developer in regards to the proposed wind farm.

Amy Mitchell: against the proposed wind farm.

Kelly Pullano: regarding information on the Chateaugay Wind Farm.

Old Business:

Truck Bid: Mr. Green reported to the Board that he had contacted Joseph Szczepaniak Jr, high bidder on the 2000 International, and said we were felt the truck was worth more than his original bid. He offered to raise the amount to \$7500.00. Mr. Green felt this would be a good offer.

Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lyon Mr. Szczepaniak Jr bid on the 2000 International Tandem Dump Truck with plow, wing, sander, spare tires and parts in the amount of \$7500.00. Adopted unanimously.
the amount of State boundary line they need to maintain.

Proposed Local Law 4 Wind Energy Facilities: Supervisor Wood asked the Board if they wanted to adopt the Local Law as is or do they want to consider more revisions.

Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Ms Lyon to table adoption of the Local Law.

VOTE: Supervisor Wood Aye, Councilmen Lyon Aye, Crump Aye, Parker Aye, Sochia recused himself due to a conflict of interest.

Wind Advisory Board Resignations and Appointments: Supervisor wood reported that she had received a letter of resignation from John Niles, member of the Wind Advisory Board, and also, she contacted Loren Taylor and he is not interested in sitting on the Board.

Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to accept Mr. Niles resignation. Adopted unanimously.

Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Mr. Parker to table appointments to the Wind Advisory Board until the September meeting. Adopted unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Supervisors Report: Supv. Wood reported that she has been busy dealing with wind issues.

Code Enforcement: Mr. McGill submitted a written report. Supervisor Wood read it aloud.

Assessor: Mr. Fukes presented a written report. The report was read aloud. Mr. Fukes also reported to the Board that the proposed mapping throughout the County did not go through. There was not enough interest from the other towns.

Museum: Mr. Crump reported that he is going to meet with Mr. Black and go through everything that we expect done with the siding and roof. They hope to have a completion in three weeks.

Highway & Safety: Mr. Green presented a written report. The report was read aloud.

Town Facilities: Ms. Lyon reported that six new tables were ordered. Parishville Hopkinton school donated some stacking chairs and they are being stored in the old judges office. These can be used for loaners.

Fire & Rescue: Mr. Parker presented a written report. The report was read aloud.

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BHLS: Mr. Sochia reported that Terry Truax has been hired as the new maintenance person. The roof repairs are completed. The handicap ramp is being redone.

Groundskeeper: Mr. Wood has requested some topsoil and fertilizer for the Hopkinton Park. David Fullerton told the board he would donate the top soil from the sod that was taken up when the Highway stripped the soil for the sand pit. Mr. Green will check into this.

He also stated the Hopkinton Park needs some lime spread. He will get some soil samples to determine the correct lime mixture.

New Business:

Deputy Dog Control Officer: Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Ms Lyon to appoint Susan Siedlecki as the Deputy Dog Control Officer. Adopted unanimously.

Special Meeting for 2018 Budget: Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to hold a Special Meeting on September 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hopkinton Town Hall to start work on the 2018 Budget. Adopted unanimously.

Local Government Conference: Supervisor Wood reported that the conference will be held on October 10th as SUNY Potsdam. If going please make reservations with the Town Clerk.

Residency Law: article in Towns & Topics. Will discuss further at September meeting.

Top Soil & Lime: Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Crump to approve the purchase of top soil if needed for the Hopkinton Park in an amount not to exceed \$300.00 and to approve the purchase of lime not to exceed \$550.00. Adopted unanimously.

Mr. Crump made a motion, seconded by Ms Lyon to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Vickie French, RMC