

SPECIAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

At the Special Meeting held on Monday, September 9, 2019 at the Hopkinton Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Wood, Councilpersons Parker, Pullano, Lyon, Sochia

OTHERS PRESENT: Clerk Powers, Deb Rust, Vickie French, Kelly & Frank Potenzano, Etta Phelix, Dolores Rice, Jeff Snell, Lori & Doug Witherell, David Slater, Beth Rosenbarker, Charlie Rohlf.

Supv. Wood called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Wood told those present that this was going to be a work session for the Town Board to review the proposed revision of Town of Hopkinton Solar Energy Law. All questions/comments will be allowed at the end of the Board's discussion. Supv. Wood asked the Board if they wanted to review specific portions of the proposed revision or review the law in its entirety. It was decided to read the complete document. It was noted that the proposed Solar Law was a combination of features from comparable Solar laws from the Towns of Belmont and Malone.

As the proposed law was reviewed, discussion was held on several issues including but not limited to: tracking of operation production, array size restrictions, additional definitions (dBA), set-backs, depth of wiring, de-icing, specific determination of "farm land", and effect on assessment/property value. The public was included in these discussions.

The Board will continue to individually review the proposed solar law and Supv. Wood will research specific issues that were discussed. A revised copy of the proposed law will be emailed to the Board.

Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lyon to adjourn the special meeting. Approved unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Richard L. Powers

Town Clerk