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Meeting Minutes October 22, 2015

MEETING LOCATION: ARCAND MEETING ROOM – MUNICIPAL CENTER

Present at the Meeting

Brian T. Salisbury (BTS), Chairman
William F. O'Connell Jr. (WFO), Vice Chairman - absent
Peter C. Pappas (PCP), Secretary
Patricia M. Murphy (PMM), Member
Dennis J. Trebino (DJT), Member
Nikyda Resto (NR), Alternate

Other Officials:

James S. Kupfer (JSK), Town Planner and Zoning Compliance Officer
Jay Talerman (JT), Town Counsel
Jean Keyes (JK), Planning Board Coordinator

BTS opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Bellingham Landfill Solar Array Development Plan Review and Stormwater Management Permit, Landfill Site, 119 South Maple Street, Continued Public Hearing, Decision Deadline: 7/30/16

Present: Mike Lotti of IESI

Mr. Lotti gave an update and reported that he met with the police and fire departments regarding the lighting. In addition, they are revising the stormwater report and he has talked to Tom Houston at PSC extensively about this project. Mr. Lotti hopes to have the finalized stormwater report at the next meeting.

Emails were received from Police Chief Gentile, Safety Officer Rolls and Deputy Fire Chief Poirier with conflicting opinions about the lighting. Town Administrator Fraine explained that the fire department obtained a grant for a portable generator and lighting system. The Applicant has agreed to fund the match for the grant which would be \$5,000.00. Deputy Poirier explained that the generator and light tower are portable and can be moved around which would be better for positioning.

Mr. Lotti requested a continuance of the public hearing until November 11, 2015.

PMM: Motion to continue the Bellingham Landfill Solar Array Development Plan Review and Stormwater Management Permit, Landfill Site, 119 South Maple Street to Nov 12 at 7:00 p.m.

PCP: Second.

Discussion: None.

Vote: 4-0. Motion Carried. (BTS, PCP, PMM, DJT)

7:00 p.m. EMC Solar Array, Farm Street – Informal discussion regarding project status

Present: Dan Feeney of Beals & Thomas, Paul Fitzgerald of EMC

Mr. Feeney gave a status update of the project and explained that they are ready to begin construction. They will begin clearing in solar array area then start on installing the electrical lines around the wetlands. Construction will carry into the spring with an estimated completion date of June 2016.

BTS reminded Mr. Feeney to be mindful of the construction noise and hours of operation and to be considerate of abutters when doing construction.

7:00 p.m. Miscellaneous

Victory Packaging Warehouse – As-Built Certificate and Plans

JSK explained that the As-Built for Victory Packaging Warehouse has been certified. He has reviewed the Decisions' conditions and all conditions have been met. JSK will issue a letter to Building Inspector if the Board agrees. In addition JSK explained that the building exterior lighting does not spillover to the public way and complies with the bylaw. However, Victory will be putting a timer on the lights to turn them off at approximately 8:00 p.m. except for emergency lighting which will remain on.

JSK further explained that the police department was supposed to talk to the Bellingham bus company to move the bus stop pickups to Stonehedge Road instead of Maple Street.

Weston Woods in Franklin, MA

JSK explained that the 40B development will be going in off Route 140 in Franklin just across the Bellingham line. A sidewalk that goes to the Maple Street intersection is proposed, but there is nothing in the plans about improving the intersection.

Solar Projects

Deputy Fire Chief Poirier requested that for all solar projects going forward, the Board put in writing that the Developer/Owner must plow and maintain the roads within the site and provide the Fire Department with keys to the gates. Deputy Poirier would like to see the road cleared within 24 hours after each storm. JT agreed and stated that it is good to add to all future decisions concerning solar projects.

General Business:

New Business:

7:00 p.m. Hartford Ave Oak Hill Cemetery Association and Town of Bellingham Cemetery Committee, ANR Plan (81P)

JT presented the ANR plan on behalf of the Town.

PMM: Motion to sign the Hartford Ave Oak Hill Cemetery Association and Town of Bellingham Cemetery Committee, ANR Plan

DJT: Second.

Discussion: None.

Vote: 4-0. Motion Carried. (BTS, PCP, PMM, DJT)

Old Business:

PMM: Motion to sign the October 8, 2015 Meeting Minutes.

DJT: Second.

Discussion: None.

Vote: 4-0. Motion Carried. (BTS, PCP, PMM, DJT)

PMM: Motion to sign the Vouchers and Payroll.

PCP: Second.

Discussion: JK explained the vouchers and payroll.

Vote: 4-0. Motion Carried. (BTS, PCP, PMM, DJT)

Discussion about what happened at the October Town Meeting.

BTS: Motion to adjourn.

DJT: Second.

Discussion:

Vote: 4-0. Motion Carried. (BTS, PCP, PMM, DJT)

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Minutes Accepted on: 11/12/15
(Date)

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