BOARD OF ASSESSORS
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MINUTES

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 8, 2012, 6:30 PM

ATTENDANCE: Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. Tom Millias, Holly Merry and Suzan Duggan present. John Shiavone present at 7:00 p.m.

1. APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING OF JANUARY 11, 2012 & FEBRUARY 1, 2012

Motion by Tom Millias, second Holly Merry to accept the minutes of 1/11/2012 as written. Board took note that the meeting posted for February 1, 2012 did not have a quorum.

Vote unanimous.

2. UPDATE ON PROPOSED SOLAR PROJECT ON MONPONSETT ST. - & MEETING OF FEBRUARY 1, 2012

Sue Duggan & Holly Merry met with the developers of the proposed solar farm on Monponsett St. The developers were given copies of the Town's electric bills to determine the total amount of energy generated. The developers are offering a 10% discount on the net metering credit value.

Sue asked that a "sample" bill showing how the charges would appear on the bill be provided. Sue asked again for an updated financial pro forma. Developers gave a list of "expenses" but it was not satisfactory for the purposes of developing an income approach appraisal. Developers again declined to divulge their potential financers or other available customers for the energy. Sue expressed concern that the developers were asking the Town to commit to a project that, to date, was vaguely defined and subject to change in terms of benefit to the Town. The Town would have to expend a large amount of money for legal & appraisal fees in order to have a PILOT, Appraisal & Power Purchase Agreement ready by ATM in May. There was discussion about entering into a Power Purchase Agreement now and waiting until the project was up & running to enter into a PILOT Agreement.

A follow-up meeting will be scheduled to review the additional data requested.

James Schwartz called on 2/8/12 and we posted an open meeting for Friday, February 10th at 9:00 a.m. in the BOS meeting room.

The Board reviewed the spreadsheet prepared by the developers in December & Sue questioned the SREC projected revenues. The Board's consensus was to discuss on Friday's meeting the 5% of revenue option for a PILOT and ask for the developers to front the costs for legal & appraisal fees.

3. VOTE TO SEND NOTICE OF LATE APPLICATION FOR T-MOBILE FY12 PERSONAL PROPERTY ABATEMENT APPLICATION

Motion by Tom Millias, second Holly Merry to send Notice of Late application for FY'12 PP abatement.

Vote unanimous.

4. ASSESSORS' BUSINESS NOT ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING.

None

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5. NEXT MEETING DATE:

Motion by Tom Millias, second Holly Merry to meet next on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

Vote unanimous

6. MEETING ADJOURNED:

Motion to adjourn by John Shiavone, second Tom Millias

Vote unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES ACCEPTED ON 3/13/2012

BY: _____

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