



TOWN OF PLYMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS PLANNING BOARD

Plympton Planning Board – Minutes –December 9, 2019

Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Board members in attendance: Mr. Schmid; Mr. D'Angelo; & Mr. Cohen

Pre-filing presentation for two solar arrays on Ring Road (131/137 Ring Road and 126 Ring Road)

Prospect Road ANR Plan

Selectman Mark Russo presented the plan and stated that these are the parcels of land that the town intends to sell. The plan indicates that the two existing parcels would be divided into three parcels. Four paper copies and one mylar was submitted.

Motion to Approve: Mr. D'Angelo, 2nd- Mr. Cohen, vote- unanimous

The Board endorsed the mylar and paper copies.

399 Main Street – Solar application 7:15 PM

The property owner's representatives presented a plan for a 2.5-megawatt solar array on 6-3/4 acres of land., of which 2 ¾ acres require clearing. The parcel presently serves as an Equestrian business and intends to continue this operation.

The array is located approximately 500 feet from Main Street.

The parcel is relatively flat. Screening was discussed and the Proponent will provide section drawings indicating how the solar array will be observed from the abutters' homes.

The top of solar panels will be 8-9 feet above the grade. The fencing enclosure will be approximately 8 feet above grade. Natural screening will also be incorporated as the design progresses.

Abutter, Paul McDermont requested that the proponent maintain the area along his rear property line.

Mr. D'Angelo requested specification on the proposed panel cells citing his concern about potential contamination if the panels are damaged. The Proponent stated that they provide these materials.

Mr. Schmid notified the Proponent that the Board's Consulting Engineer will review the application for conformance with local and state regulations and sound engineering practices.

The hearing was continued Jan 13, 2020. A site was schedule for Jan 11, 2020.

126 Ring Road/ 131 Ring Road – Solar Application 7:45 PM

David Kelly of Meridian Associates, as the owner's representative, submitted the Site Plan Application, plans and report, for two parcels on land on opposing sides of Ring Road.

No checks were submitted.

Mr. Kelly stated the Notice of Intent was submitted to the Conservation Commission.

All parties agreed that the Public Hearing is tentatively schedule for Jan 27th, 7:30 Pm (131 Ring Road) and 7:35 (126 Ring Road) provided the that check is submitted in a timely manner for legal advertising purposes.

Old Business -

1. The board review the draft minutes for the November 25, 2019 meeting. Mr. Schmid moves to accept the Minutes as written, Mr. D'Angelo seconds, vote is unanimous in favor.

Meeting adjourned 7:50 p.m. Motion: Mr. D'Angelo, 2nd Mr. Cohen, Unanimous.