

Heath Planning Board Meeting

Date 1/17/2012

Meeting called to order at 7:24pm.

Attendance: Calvin Carr, Bob Viarengo, Douglas Mason

Others in attendance: Tommy Flynn, Margret Hobbie, Bob McGahn, Steve Ryack, Peggy Sloan, Jamie Gay, Noel Abbot, Tom Lively.

Commercial Wind Power Tower discussion :

Peggy Sloan presented a preliminary Draft of the "large Wind Bylaw" for the town.

There are many open issues:

1. Large v commercial- - Non-commercial wind.
2. Minimum KW for Commercial towers
3. Distance from property lines. Blade parts can fly 1600 feet
4. Flicker must be measured from any adjacent property
5. What do we do about losing area for life flight helicopter evacuation?
6. Contingency plan must be tied to bond/cash
7. Ramifications of non-compliance
8. Ambient sound study must be done for area, our expert, applicant's money.
9. Decide on a height limit, at 200' it needs a light. Add wording about alternatives to lighting.
10. Overlay district D? or another overlay district
11. What happens to our roads? Turning radius for a 295' turbine is 80'. Delivery trucks are 50 tons in size
12. Sub Audible noise – myth or reality? We need those studies.
13. Find out about the environmental impact of windmills.

Other Matters

1. Residential wind bylaw needs decibel level language changed. Max KW for residential (50kw?)
2. Our budget is due tomorrow, we need to hire consultants and experts for the commercial wind bylaws. We agreed that we will need \$3000 for experts. Doug moved that we need this money for our next years budget, Bob seconded. Passed unanimously.
3. Doug will submit our annual report for the next year.
4. Cal will be contacting town counsel regarding legal issues surrounding both proposed moratorium and draft by laws.

The next meeting is on January 23rd , Next meeting with Peggy is February 15th .

Calvin moved to adjourn, Bob Seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Douglas Mason