

May 3, 2016

A Moratorium Study Meeting of the Newfield Town Board was held at the Town Hall Board Room May 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Jeffrey Hart and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Present were: Supervisor Jeffrey Hart, Councilperson James, Councilperson Christine Laughlin, Councilperson Casey Powers and Councilperson Mike Allinger. Also present: Rachel Evards and Kristin Wells

Old Business

Rachel Evards a student from Cornell University presented a “Noise Impact Report” she prepared regarding Setback Requirements for the Proposed Black Oak Wind Farm (BOWF) to the Newfield Town Board. Ms. Evard’s report suggested with a setback 1000 feet from the property line with the ambient decibel level of 52 decibels or less. The Board agreed the setback of 1760 feet from the property line or 3.63 x turbine heights (or the greater amount) with an ambient decibel level less than 55 decibels. Discussion also included small residential private use windmills (generating less than 100 kW) the Board agreed a property line setback of 1 ½ times the height, with an ambient decibel level less than 55 decibels. It was felt that the setback distances covered the concerns of flicker and ice throw.

Next Moratorium Study Meeting Board meeting will be May 17, 2016 the agreed upon findings will be reviewed and adapted to the existing Wind Energy Law.

New Business

Supervisor Hart stated Mr. Thor Oschner had contacted him regarding leasing the farm land on Van Kirk Road. Mr. Oschner will contact Dan Walker regarding the proposed water tank construction site. Motion was made by Councilperson Powers approving the Supervisor to sign a lease with Mr. Oschner to lease the Van Kirk Road property at \$30.00/acre, seconded by Councilperson Laughlin.

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Supervisor Hart reported digital bill boards have an assessed rate of fifty thousand dollars. The proposed site is on Guidi Collusion property, not Second Wind Cottage. Paul Simonet from Park Outdoor has sent a proposal to Supervisor Hart, who has forwarded it to Attorney Smith.

Storm water issues were discussed regarding complaints from the Millard Hill Road sub division.

May 26, 2016; Board Meeting topic to include Court Clerk hours.
At 8:20 p.m., a motion was made by Councilperson James to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

May 10, 2016

Karen Miller Kenerson
Newfield Town Clerk

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