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Buckland Planning Board
Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2019 6:30 p.m.
Buckland Town Hall

AGENDA

1. Open meeting.
2. Update: Valley Solar, Amstein Construction Details
3. Discussion: Community Solar - Margaret Olin
4. Continue Housing Discussion with FRCOG Rep., Alyssa Larose.
5. Review and sign meeting minutes.
6. Other topics not anticipated by Chair 48 hours prior to meeting.
7. Public comment.
8. Adjourn the meeting.

ATTENDEES

Denton

John Gould - Co-chair
Michael Hoberman - Co-chair
Andrea Dolon - Member
Brian Rose - Member
Patrick Rondeau - Valley Solar
Alyssa Larose - FRCOG Representative
Margaret Olin - Energy Committee
Ellen Kaufman - Energy Committee
Brian Summer - Energy Committee
Mary Bolduc - Board Clerk

MEETING

1. Open meeting - Meeting opened at 6:40 p.m.
2. Update: Valley Solar, Amstein Construction Details - Patrick Rondeau of Valley Solar addressed the Board regarding the Cummings/Amstein ground mounted solar installation on Orcutt Hill Road. During construction, Mr. Rondeau reported that the racking system had reached its maximum tolerance, a condition with which he was not comfortable. Therefore, a new racking system was used, the placement and footprint mirroring that of the original. He explained any differences, his reasons for the changes, and brought copies of the spec sheets for the Board members to review. No action was needed by the Planning Board.
3. Discussion: Community Solar, Margaret Olin - The Energy Committee approached the town administrator and select board in July to apply for a META (Municipal Energy

Technical Assistance) grant opportunity to explore a community solar project for Buckland. Margaret Olin explained corporate vs cooperative ownership and the pros/cons of each. Planning Board and Energy Committee members discussed local towns exploring or involved in community solar, Buckland's Solar Bylaw, and available sites, both publicly and privately owned. It was suggested that the Wendell project be considered as a model for Buckland.

4. Continue Housing Discussion with FRCOG Rep., Alyssa Larose -
 1. Alyssa handed out a preliminary Public Forum presentation for the Board's review and recommendations. Each item of the 18 page proposal was discussed and edits made. Alyssa will bring corrected copy to next meeting on October 3.
 2. Alyssa is able to enlarge Buckland zoning map and mount on cardboard for visual aid at public forum.
 3. Board discussed presentation of slides, statistics, comparison of stats to current zoning regulations, and how photographs shown relate to information given.
 4. Regarding survey of those in attendance at forum, it was decided that responses would be given on paper rather than by a show of hands.
 5. Brian suggested that it would be helpful to have an example of a cluster development within driving distance for those interested. An on-site visit would be easier to visualize than in a photograph.
 6. Andrea emphasized that we want feedback and we must identify needs and solutions. She suggested that the Board specify those solutions (such as ADU's, Smaller Lots, etc.) and present them in a manner that will make the greatest impact at Public Forum almost as in a bulleted format.
5. Review and sign meeting minutes - Board reviewed minutes. Brian moved to approve. Michael seconded. Vote to approve was unanimous.
6. Other topics not anticipated by Chair 48 hours prior to meeting - N/A
7. Public comment - N/A
8. Adjourn - John moved to adjourn. Michael seconded. Vote to adjourn unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Submitted by Mary Bolduc 10/3/2019