

Planning Board – Public Hearing Continued

May 28, 2019 * 6:30 PM

Minutes

Planning Board members present: Mark Schwallie, Pat Coffey, Wade Clement, Susan Bronstein

8 Westhampton residents were present

- Mark called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and announced that this was a continuation of the Public Hearing regarding the request for a Special Permit and Site Plan Review for Westhampton Hathaway Solar 1, LLC located at 0 Hathaway Road, Assessors Map 1, Parcel. He read the Special Permit posting.
- A letter was recently received from the applicant requesting another continuation. Mark followed this request with a conversation with town Administrative Assistant Cheryl Provost and received permission to contact town counsel.
- Counsel suggested that the applicants withdraw without prejudice until their new plans are ready to present to the Planning Board.
- The composition of the Planning Board will change after Saturday, June 1, 2019 and the Town Election; Mark will no longer be a member and new members will be present.
- Mark received permission from town Counsel to text the attorney, eventually the Board was able to speak with her. Through these discussions it became clear that one the Board composition changes it will be unable to grant this Permit because the unanimous agreement of the Board members initially present at the first hearing on this project will no longer be possible. Denial, on procedural issues, would be the only option.
- Mark moved and Pat seconded that the Hearing be kept open; voted in favor unanimously.
- Mark moved and Pat seconded that Susan call the applicant and let them know the date of the extended hearing (6/11) and suggest they consider withdrawing without prejudice while they work on the reportedly new plans they are developing. This was voted unanimously.
- Mark moved that the Public Hearing continue until June 11, 2019, the next regularly scheduled Planning Board meeting at Town Hall. This was seconded by Susan and voted unanimously.
- Susan moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 PM; Mark seconded, voted unanimously, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Bronstein
Planning Board