

TOWN OF CAMPTON
PLANNING BOARD WORK SESSION
NOTES
NOVEMBER 7, 2017

The Planning Board met this date with Stuart Pitts, Chairman, Greg Jencks, Secretary, Charles Brosseau Chris Kelly, Tim Scanlon and Jay Pafundi, Alternate.

Stuart Pitts opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

First on the agenda, Abraham King regarding his tow trucks parked at the Campton Plaza, which the Fire Chief reported to us. Abraham told the Planning Board that he is parking his tow trucks and using the bay for repairing his own vehicles. Stuart Pitts said that he would have the Fire Chief make a site visit, and then send a letter back to the Planning Board. The Planning Board thanked Mr. King for coming in.

Next on the agenda, Kevin Foley, for Sun East Development LLC. Mr. Foley said that they have ten projects in NH, and they need at least 100 acres per project. Mr. Foley said that they are developing five sites for Solar Farms in NH, with 1,000 acres of property. Solar Power is a very low impact land use for your town

- Minimal traffic following a six to nine-month construction period
- No Noise, odors or emissions normally associated with power plants
- Project sited to minimize visibility and impact to community
- No transportable fuels and little water usage.
- Unused project site area is developed as native habitat and /or may be used to meet other
- Low-impact community needs-recreation, hiking, snowmobiling, etc.

Mr. Foley said that they have an option to buy three lots off Page Road, from the Dearborn Revocable Trust. They negotiate a mutually acceptable real estate option agreement with a term of two to three years, which is in effect as we complete development of the solar project. We work with the local and regional utilities to determine a cost-effective connection to the grid. These studies take approximately two years. Mr. Foley stated that the solar farms are in direct competition to Northern Pass. He said that

Solar panels are guaranteed to perform for 25 years, with the balance of equipment being primarily steel post (racking) and copper wiring. Inverters convert the solar collected energy to AC electricity, and a transformer is required to achieve the voltage necessary for electrical interconnection. Solar panels have a forty- year operating life.

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The Planning Board told Mr. Foley that the biggest hurdle would be the zoning issue. Mr. Foley said that he would be back in December. The board told him to reach out to the Conservation Commission.

Mr. Foley thanked the Planning Board.

The Planning Board adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


May Brosseau

Planning Board Clerk

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