

State of Rhode Island

County of Washington

In Hopkinton on the thirteenth day of November 2018 A.D. the said meeting was called to order by Town Council President Frank Landolfi at 7:00 P.M. in the Chariho Middle School Auditorium, 455ASwitch Road, Wood River Jct., RI 02894.

PRESENT: Frank Landolfi, Thomas Buck, Barbara Capalbo, Sylvia Thompson; Town Solicitor Kevin McAllister; Town Manager William McGarry; Town Clerk Elizabeth Cook-Martin. Absent: David Husband.

The meeting was called to order with a moment of silent meditation and a salute to the Flag.

HEARING

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT & COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT

The Council opened the continued hearing to consider an amendment to the Hopkinton Zoning Ordinance and the Hopkinton Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map filed by Southern Sky Renewable Energy RI, LLC, 117 Metro Center Blvd #2007, Warwick, RI 02886 for property owned by LR6-A Owner LLC and Realty Financial Partners VI LP, 56 Kearney Road Suite D, Needham, MA 02494 for property located at 130 Dye Hill Road, Hope Valley, RI identified as Plat 32, Lots: 1, 2, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 41, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 63, 65, 67, 68, 69, 70 & 71, an RFR-80 Zone heard on October 1 and continued from October 29, 2018.

The applicants propose to utilize the existing property listed as Assessor's Plat 32 Lots 1-71 which in total contain approximately 358 acres to construct ground mounted Solar Energy Array Systems. The proposal to utilize the property will require approval of the proposed Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map Amendment from Open Space/Conservation to Commercial Special and a Zoning Map Amendment from RFR-80 to Commercial Special.

Attorney K. Joseph Shekarchi was present representing the applicant. A stenographer was present to record the proceedings. A copy of the transcript will be attached and made part of this record.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR BUCK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR CAPALBO TO CONTINUE HEARING FOR CLOSING REMARKS FROM THE ATTORNEY’S AND NO MORE PUBLIC COMMENT.

IN FAVOR: Buck, Capalbo

OPPOSED: Landolfi, Thompson

MOTION FAILED

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR CAPALBO AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR BUCK TO REOPEN THE PRIOR MOTION FOR A VOTE TO CONTINUE THE HEARING.

IN FAVOR: Landolfi, Buck, Capalbo

OPPOSED: Thompson

SO VOTED

The Council set December 3, 2018 as the date at the Chariho Middle School Auditorium. Council President Landolfi noted the continuance would be for response from the attorney’s to Councilor Capalbo’s questions. There would be no public comment

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR CAPALBO AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR BUCK TO ADJOURN.

SO VOTED

Elizabeth J. Cook-Martin

Town Clerk