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*“do not just slay your demons;
dissect them and find what they've been feeding on”*

- The Man Frozen In Time

From: Jane <jrathbun2@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 10:32 PM
To: al@awdrils.com
Subject: Skunk Hill Solar Plan

Dear Mr. DiOrio

I am begging you to protect the property owners who abut the land that is proposed for the massive Skunk Hill Road manufacturing plant. I have lived at 135 Skunk Hill Road for 43 years and a brook runs behind my house close to my property line. I could not clear part of my property because of the environmental impact on this water. However, there doesn't seem to be any problem with a 12 foot berm that will be close to this brook. Doesn't anyone see a problem with erosion causing an

environmental impact on this brook? I was also told by a town councilor last year that I would not see the solar panels from my backyard. Oh, but wait, you will see it from your second floor. Oh, and you will see them when the leaves are off the trees. When I asked a real estate agent if solar panels behind my home would change the value of my house, I was told that they would only be a problem if they could be seen!

More importantly, this is a neighborhood. It is zoned as a residential area that does not allow a manufacturing plant. Any change to the master plan that allows this solar plant would constitute "spot zoning" since it would not comply with the comprehensive plan. The comprehensive plan was approved 2018, so if the people in the town wanted to have more land designated for manufacturing or commercial use, they could have been heard at that time. We shouldn't allow arbitrary changes without approval of the people in the town. Why do we even have comprehensive plan if it can be changed by the vote of 3 people? The planning board was right when it ruled that this project does not meet the requirements for our residential zone. Please help us by continuing to follow the comprehensive plan.

Sincerely,
Jane Rathbun

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