

Town Board
Town of Barre
Public Hearing/MET Towers

January 27, 2020

Present: Supervisor Sean Pogue
Councilman Lynn Hill, Excused
Councilman Tom McCabe
Councilman Kerri Richardson
Councilman Margaret Swan

Others present: Maureen Beach, Town Clerk;; George McKenna, Charles Mathes, Alice Mathes, Kirk Mathes, Scott Burnside, Ron Harling, Richard Cox, Robin Nacca, Cyndy VanLieshout, Sue Webster, George Kingston, Ruth Miller, Julie Rozwood, James Rozwood, Jan Michael, Barbara Thaine, Christine Loss, Ernie Loss, Jean Peglow, Richard Miller, Iva McKenna, Larry Gaylard, Don Jones, Jessica Walsh, Carmen O'Keefe, Robert Stirk, Dana Markle, Karen Markle.

Supervisor Pogue called the Public Hearing to order at 7:10pm.

Supervisor Pogue read the legal notice that was published in the paper and stated the reason for the meeting, to discuss the application/renewal from Heritage Wind of a Special Use Permit for a MET Tower on Thorpe Road, for the collection of wind data.

Carmen O'Keefe spoke from Heritage Wind regarding the MET tower and the reasons why it needs it to remain there longer.

Comments from the floor:

Kirk Mathes passed out Zoning maps for MET towers.

Jan Michaels - why longer, was there not enough time in three years?

Iva McKenna - highlighted items on Zoning, questioning length of Special Use Permit for wind measuring tower.

Cyndy VanLieshout - How does cell towers compare to these MET towers?

George McKenna - our Zoning regulations are just that, should be no. Has the town received the fees?

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Comments from the floor con't:

Sue Webster - Why? If Zoning regulations says three years, then it should be three years. The Board should stand their ground.

Richard Cox - How many extensions have they been given for Special Use Permits?

Cyndy VanLieshout - the voting should show how the people feel.

Jeanne Peglow - Is this a new permit or renewal?

Chris Loss - Keep the towers up.

Barb Thaine - Is the wind project a "done deal"?

Sue Webster - this is a good time to check to see if the internet is effected by the tower.

Carmen O'Keefe stated that there will be an inspection of the tower on Thursday.

Robin Nacca - What's the length of time for the Special Use Permit? 1 or 3 years?

Kirk Mathes - It's a renewal.

Richard Cox - Is this a renewal or an extension?

Supervisor Pogue called the Public Hearing closed at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Beach
Town Clerk