

PLANNING BOARD AGENDA TOWN OF FOSTER

42 Thornton Way North Kingstown, RI 02852 Saturday: April 22, 2017 10:00 a.m.

A. Call to Order

Mr. Carey called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m..

B. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Joseph Carey (Chair); Richard Sparks (Vice Chair); Michael Carpenter; and Ron

Cervasio.

Board Members Excused: Helen Hardy (Secretary); Sergio Spaziano; and Tom Mercier.

Public and Applicants Present: Denise DiFranco, Chris Stone, Mike Dillon, and Gordon Rogers (Town Council);

Robert DeLuca (Zoning Board of Review); Mark Depasquale, Mark Menninger, and

Hannah Morini (Wind Energy Development); and Jeff Sheldon.

C. Site Walk Workshop

1) Wind Turbine Visit

Discussion

Mr. Depasquale gave a brief overview and answered questions about wind turbines. Topics of discussion included noise, setbacks, placement to reduce negative impacts, flicker, icing, finances, tax benefits to the Town, possible Town purchase of turbines, mapping of the Town for suitable locations, lease agreements, and how property owners are worked with to rectify issues that arose on previous projects. Decibel readings were taken to measure the noise level by the turbine, and those present toured the inside of the turbine to view the electrical connection.

Mr. Menninger was amenable to giving a presentation at a future Planning Board meeting.

D. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 11:30 a.m. was approved unanimously.	
Respectfully submitted,	
Helen Hardy, Secretary	