Town of Blandford

Planning Board Meeting

October 4, 2023

Present: Edna Wilander, Paul Martin, Sarah Simpson, Bob Twyman, Greg Garfield Ken Comia - PVPC

Call to Order: Paul Martin, Chairman

OPEN MEETING -6:00 PM

Motion: Sarah moved to accept the September 6, 2023 meeting minutes as written. Edna seconded. Voted unanimously.

Paul closed Board Meeting to open Public Hearing for ground mounted solar by-law change to definition of small and medium scale.

Paul opened the hearing at 6:03 PM.

Edna read the hearing notice.

Motion: Edna made the motion to close the hearing and reopen on October 5, 2023 at 6 PM. Sarah seconded. Voted unanimously.

Hearing closed at 6:06 PM.

Motion: Edna made a motion to reopen the Planning Board meeting. Sarah seconded. Voted unanimously.

Planning Board meeting reopened at 6:06 PM.

OLD BUSINESS

George Millard Solar Field

Paul advised the Board that the Town has collected a PILOT fee on the project for \$73,000. The Board has also received a check for \$10,000 for consulting and engineering, if the project moves forward. The project is currently under an extension through July 2024.

Belle Fleur

Paul advised that Belle Fleur was successful in their arbitration, and they are working with Conservation Commission to allow project to move forward.

NEW BUSINESS

Energy Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) By-Law Proposal
The Board reviewed the proposed bylaw model, and suggested amendments as applicable. Ken will make revisions for the Board to review.

Motion: Sarah moved to close meeting. Edna seconded. Voted unanimously.

Meeting closed at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Sarah Simpson, Secretary

Paul Martin, Chairman

Edna Wilander, Vice Chairman

Robert Twyman, Associate Member

Greg Garfield, Associate Member