

TOWN OF LEWISTON

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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION March 13, 2018 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Chairmen J. Wolgang; D. Balassone; B. Davey; Z. Collister; V. Polka; M. Feldman; **GUEST:** Building Inspector T. Masters; Resident S. Lyle

EXCUSED: Board Liaison Geiben; J. Allen

MINUTES:

Chairman Wolfgang took attendance.

B. Davey made a motion to approve the minutes, V. Polka seconded and the motion carried.

Commission reviewed proposed Town Solar Energy Systems law (not technical name) with T. Masters. Commission to make a recommendation to limit R-1 to 1 to 2 acres to prevent solar farms. For solar farms in R-2, Commission recommends a Removal Bond be implemented. Commission also recommends more research on solar farms and how they can be used to also benefit the Town, such as fees, energy cost reduction, etc. Chairman Wolfgang made a motion to make such recommendations and B. Davey seconded and the motion carried.

Commission reviewed the T-Mobile cell tower application for Niagara University. T. Masters stated they had not provided air traffic control information such as lighting requirements, etc, but have since handed in the information. It was noted the tower is not different than a Verizon tower located on an adjacent dormitory at the campus. B. Davey made a motion to approve a negative declaration, D. Balassone seconded and the motion carried.

T. Masters briefed the Commission on the new forms for the Town approval process. Mr. Masters went on to also brief the Commission on some new energy grants the Town is seeking and that the Town is working with National Grid to potentially change over street lights to LED.

OLD BUSINESS:

Collister to follow up with Land Conservancy & Waterkeeper to meet with Commission.

B. Davey asked T. Masters for update on Bri Estates project, to which Masters answered the project is still being worked on in Town of Niagara.

Chariman Wolfgang asked T. Masters for update on Bronson Dr project, to which Masters answered the drawings are still being developed.

NEW BUSINESS:

B. Davey asked the Town to look into why Modern is no longer taking tires.

Commission to ask Town Clerk for a copy of the Host Agreement for each Commissioner.

Next meeting scheduled for March 13th.

B. Davey made a motion to adjourn, M. Feldman seconded the motion and the motion carried.