

Wareham Solar By-Law Study Committee
Minutes of the Meeting
Wednesday, April 13, 2022
Time: 4:00pm – 5:30pm
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87487189994>
Meeting ID: 874 8718 9994

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order by Chairperson McHale at 4:00 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Nancy McHale (Chairperson)
Carl Schulz (Clerk)
Denise Wolk
Jacqui Nichols

Members Absent: Ronald Besse, ConCom rep
Jim Eacobacci, ZBA rep

Also present: Ken Buckland, Director of Planning
Jim Munise, member Select Board (about 30 minutes in)

3. MINUTES TO APPROVE

Status of the outstanding minutes was reviewed. It was decided to defer review and approval until the next meeting

Pending: Minutes of the March 16, 2022 meeting
Minutes of the March 30, 2022 meeting
Minutes of the March 28th presentation to the Planning Board
Minutes of the April 5th presentation to the Select Board
Minutes of the April 6th meeting and presentation to the Finance Committee

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4. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

Chairperson McHale noted that the Select Board voted to support our warrant article (3-1-0). The one dissenting vote was explained as this was pointless as the Commonwealth is going to do what it wants anyway.

Mr. Schulz noted that this sentiment seemed to be a common theme in some of the feedback. The laws are going to continue to change, technology is going to change ... etc. So let's wait. He felt strongly that we have made good progress and have made improvement in protecting Wareham's unique environment with a focus on protected health, safety, and welfare. We could wait forever for the perfect time. The Committee felt strongly that we should move ahead.

She also noted that the Finance Committee voted (7-0-0) to support our article.

The Committee discussed the competing Moratorium article. Members were confused about what the Moratorium article actually said and what if any floor amendments were planned.

It was noted that the (29) projects *[added for clarification: 19 projects already built, 4 permitted (140Tihonet, 150 Tihonet, 27 Charge Pond & LSE Hydra) but not built, and 6 not permitted ((1 under DEP review (Rocky Maple) and 5 with freeze plans w approved subdivision plans (Maple Springs, 370 County Rd, 1-13 N. Carver Rd, Fearing Hill & Fletcher)) for a grand total of 29 projects]* are not impacted by our by-law or the moratorium.

5. PUBLIC OUTREACH / EDUCATION

The Committee continued to review and refine our materials in preparation for public communication and for sending to the Town Moderator.

Ron and Denise need to finalize the poster.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public comment was offered.

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed (4-0-0)

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8. NEXT MEETING

Date: Wednesday, April 20, 2022
Time: 4:00 PM
Place: **ZOOM**

Date signed:

Date Signed
By Carl Schulz, Apr 27, 2022 at 10:56

Attest:



Carl Schulz

Clerk Wareham Solar Study Committee

Date copy sent to Town Clerk:

Date Submitted
By Carl Schulz, Apr 27, 2022 at 10:56