

**Newfield Planning Board Minutes
Town of Newfield,
September 2, 2020**

Present: Gloria Dyer; Benjamin Buzzell, Anthony Garrity; Skip Tonge; Dan Phelan (voting alternate); Linda Bisson (Alternate)

Absent: Sherry Batchelder

Guest: in person and on Zoom: Shelly Gobeille; Paul Bourret; Norman Hutchinson (CEO); Shawn Tobey; Paul Colwell; Christian Loanger of NBD Solar Maine; Andrea Silva; Jason Neville (Fire Chief) Lorraine Gilbert, Jim Morhan of NBD Solar Maine; and Shawn Meehan

Quorum present: yes

Topic	Discussion	Decision
<u>Call to order</u>	7:01 PM	
<u>Pledge Minutes</u> from August 12 th Public Hearing August 12 th	August 12 th minutes August 12 th Public Hearing	Ben made a motion to accept the August 12 th meeting minutes. Seconded by Gloria. Ben yes, Dan yes, Gloria yes, Skip yes and Anthony yes 5-0-0 Anthony made a motion to accept the August 12 th Public Hearing Minutes. Seconded by Ben. Dan yes, Gloria yes, Ben yes, Anthony yes and Skip yes. 5-0-0
<u>Public Comment</u>		
<u>New Business</u> <u>SBD Solar Maine LLC</u> <u>Map 22 Lot. 4.1</u>	Jim Morhan of NBD Solar Maine gave a brief review of his company's projects. He continued by describing the project which will include removing the existing buildings and leveling the lot. The solar panels create DC power which will be converted to AC for the CMP grid. Construction will be 4-5 months. After completion it will be a benign event with very little traffic created. A chain link fence and berm will face Route 11. A board member requested no razor wire on top of the fence and shrubbery as a buffer. The entire project will be fenced. The project has a life	Benefits to the town: No increase in school participation; Not using any Town facilities; Not using any Town Services: Benefit of tax rate income to be agreed to by Town Selectmen.

<p><u>Other Business</u></p>	<p>expectancy of 25 years or more. All buildings will be recycled or repurposed.</p> <p>Shawn Meehan continued to explain: The setback will be 30 feet on the east, the panels are 3 x 5 feet, no panel washing is necessary, no special training for the fire dept. and there are several ways to disconnect from the grid if necessary.</p> <p>8:28 PM</p> <p>Gloria, Board Chair, asked the board members to think about increasing the Secretary's hours as Mylar maps need organizing, the subdivision ordinance, shoreland zoning and land use book all need work.</p> <p>3 pages of subdivision changes were presented.</p>	<p>Shawn Tobey produced the maps and will put all notes on paper for easier reading.</p> <p>For the next meeting NBD Solar Maine will provide the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copies of letter from IF& W and other agencies approving the plan. 2. A copy of the Certificate pertaining to wetlands 3. Storm Water permit by rule. 4. Decommissioning Plan 5. Elaborate on a storm water runoff plan. 6. Verify if there is an aquifer under the property. 7. 50 feet setback from the right of way or 75 feet from the center of the road. 8. Provide pictures of a completed project. 9. The project will be aesthetically pleasing. 10. The project will be continued on our October 7th meeting where the application will be determined complete or more information needed. <p>Ben made a motion to continue. It was seconded by Gloria . Gloria yes, Dan yes, Anthony yes, Skip yes and Ben yes. 5-0-0</p> <p>There is \$490.00 left in the budget.</p> <p>Anthony made a motion to accept the documents with corrections and appendix. The motion was seconded by Ben. Gloria yes, Skip yes, Anthony yes, Ben yes and Dan yes 5-0-0</p> <p>Ben made a motion to adjourn. Gloria seconded the motion.</p>
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Communication to T.O.		
<u>Other Items</u>		
Meeting adjourned	8:51 PM	

Next meeting: October 7, 2020

- Minutes taken by Linda Bisson