

TOWN OF STAFFORD Public Hearing MINUTES FOR Dec 11, 2006

- **Public Hearing to Consider Adopting proposed Local Law #3 2006 entitled ‘A Local Law to Amend the Town of Stafford Zoning Law to enact a Second Moratorium Extension regarding Wind energy Conversion Systems’**

PRESENT:

R. Clement -Supervisor
D. Vicary -Councilman
R. Panek -Councilman
M Mouery -Councilman
R. Pacer -Councilman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Walter Kershenski -Town Clerk
S. Boldt -Highway Supt.
Approximately 10 members of the local community

**Public Hearing to Consider Adopting Local Law #2-2006,
to Consider Adopting proposed Local Law #3 2006 entitled ‘A Local Law to Amend the Town of
Stafford Zoning Law to enact a Second Moratorium Extension regarding Wind energy Conversion
Systems.**

Supervisor Clement called the Public Hearing to order at 7:40 PM.

Supervisor Clement then read the officially posted ‘Notice of Public Hearing by the Town board of the
Town of Stafford, New York to consider adopting a proposed Local law’ as follows:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BY THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF STAFFORD, NEW YORK
TO CONSIDER ADOPTING A PROPOSED LOCAL LAW**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that there has been presented to the Town Board of the Town of Stafford, New York on the 13th day of November, 2006, proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2006 entitled "A Local Law to Amend The Town Of Stafford Zoning Law To Enact A Second Moratorium Extension Regarding Wind Energy Conversion Systems". Said Local Law proposes to amend the Town of Stafford Zoning Law as summarized as follows:

A moratorium extension until June 30, 2007, will be enacted to a previously adopted six (6) month moratorium period, which will expire on December 31, 2006, in order to prohibit the operation and/or construction of a Wind Energy Conversion System (WECS) or a Wind Farm System that is defined as wind towers and related equipment that converts and then stores or transfers energy from the wind into usable forms of energy. Specifically excluded from this moratorium extension is a WECS that consists of a single wind tower and related equipment, in which at least 51% of the energy produced is used or consumed upon the Applicant’s property. The Town Board had also adopted a similar nine (9) month moratorium, which expired on May 25, 2006.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that on 11th day of December, 2006, at 7:45 o'clock in the afternoon of that day the Town Board of the Town of Stafford, New York will conduct a public hearing at the Stafford Town Hall, located at 8903 Route 237, in the Town of Stafford, New York, for the purpose of considering the advisability of enacting said proposed Local Law, at which time and place all persons interested will be heard.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that this notice represents only a summary of the proposed Zoning Law Amendments. A complete copy of the Local Law is on file at the office of the Stafford Town Clerk, 8903 Route 237, Stafford, New York, and is open for public inspection during regular office hours.

Supervisor Clement then asked the people present if there were any comments or questions.

Sandra Swanson asked if there is any change in the wording of this Local Law as compared to the Prior Local Law Moratorium that was implemented in June 2006.

Supervisor Clement read the Local Law Filing document to assure Mrs. Swanson that there were no changes.

Also some concern was expressed about the status and content of the County Comprehensive plan. Councilman Panek said that there should be minor concerns, because if necessary, The Town comprehensive Plan can override the County Comprehensive Plan.

There were no further questions or discussions. Supervisor Clement thanked all for attending the meeting.

Motion made by Councilman Pacer and seconded by Councilman Mouery to adjourn at 7:47 PM.

Motion was carried and the Public Hearing meeting was thus adjourned.

Dated December 11, 2006
Approved 01/08/2007

Walter Kershenski, Town Clerk