



# Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

## PLANNING BOARD

March 7, 2023

5:30 pm

## MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER:** David Peppard called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

**ROLL CALL:** Members present were David Peppard, Scott Newhart, Heather Grass and Craig Knight. Susan Dunham-Shane has an excused absence.

**MINUTES:** Motion that we accept the minutes of February 16, 2023 as written.

By Scott N/Craig K 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote 4-0

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** The Board will go over any items requested after the review for completeness of the BD Solar Eddington, LLC application for a proposed Solar Project located between the Davis Road and Riverside Drive, prepared by Haley Ward, Inc. Sean Thies of Haley Ward, LLC and Nick Sampson of BD Solar Eddington, LLC are present for the meeting. Haley Ward had dropped off an updated small booklet with the requested information dated February 2023.

1. They have prepared new maps for Map 9 and Map 10
2. The entrance on the Davis Road was surveyed and it now shows clearer on the paperwork where the pavement ends and gives more information of the easement, property lines and intersection on the Davis Road.
3. They will have a gate at the fence and a swing post gate at the entrance of the road to the project.. There will be an open corridor between the two gates for wildlife. They will be clearing about a 5' area outside of the fence. They updated the legend from chain link to agricultural fence
4. BESS was updated on the Spec Sheet
5. The Decommissioning Plan was updated to include the removal of utility poles and the battery system and they incorporated a cost to the decommissioning plan for the battery system. Sein explained that before construction they will evaluate whether the battery storage system makes sense. They would like the application approval to include storage, but they may update their plans before they get the permit, to not include storage at which time they would like to be able to redo the decommissioning plan to not include storage. The Board said that this would be okay. They added a statement about restoring to original condition and that it should be accepted by the code officer or town official.
6. The road widths and legends have been corrected so they are all the same.

In regards to the site visit, Sean said that the road is about 300' across the yard and then it is in the woods about 700' to the fence. There is not much to see right now and it is not close to anyone's back yard. Scott N said that Susan DS wants to see where the road connects to the hot top.

Motion that we find the application for BD Solar complete pending walk through so they can then schedule the Public Meeting **By Scott N/Heather G 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote 4-0**

Heather G had to leave the meeting at 5:55 for another meeting.

Motion that we plan the site visit for 5:00 pm on March 14, 2023.

**By Scott N/Craig K 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote 3-0**

Denise K informed the Board that the Board of Appeals will be meeting at 6:00 pm on Thursday, March 23, 2023 for the Darric Hammond Appeal. Darric Hammond, Rick Leavitt, David Pooler and the sheriff on duty should be notified of the meeting.

**PUBLIC ACCESS:**

**AGENDA FOR FUTURE MEETINGS – HOUSEKEEPING:**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn at 6:04 pm. **By Scott N/Craig K 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote 3-0**

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise M. Knowles