



# Zoning Board of Appeals

Minutes of Monday, July 17, 2017 – 6:00 PM

**Board of Appeals members present:** Charles Dudek, Gerry Mann & Marcianna Caplis

**Public Present:** Joe Shanahan-Clean Energy Collective (CEC)

The Board called this meeting in response to a request to modify a condition of the Special Permit dated 6/2/2015 given to Clean Energy Collective regarding Condition #2-Escrow Account for Decommissioning. Mr. Shanahan told the Board that when Solar projects were first done, an escrow account was what was done for decommissioning plans. Under the current condition, CEC will have to deposit \$9600 into an account and do cash deposits of \$3000 each year after for ten years. Now, insurance companies are issuing underwriters bonds for decommissioning. The plus side is that the Town will have assurity from Day 1. CEC would like to propose that the Town accept an Underwriters Bond from Hartford Fire Insurance Company instead of the escrow account spelled out in Condition #2 of the Special Permit issued 6/2/2015. They are 3-4 weeks away from the 60-day deadline to have a plan in place with the escrow.

(GM) stated that the change is so insubstantial that it does not require a public hearing for the change. This change does not substantially change the conditions given in the Special Permit dated 6/2/2015. Motion made (GM) and seconded (MC) that the Board modify the initial Special Permit dated 6/2/2015, Condition #2 to read “with Surety Bond instead of Cash Bond”. Motion so voted unanimously.

Motion made (MC) and seconded (GM) to adjourn. Motion so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Lessard, Secretary