TOWN OF BYRON SOLAR LAW PUBLIC HEARING

December 1, 2020

The Town of Byron Solar Law Public Hearing was called to order by Supervisor Yasses at 7:00 p.m. at the South Byron Fire Hall and via ZOOM video conference with the following people present:

Supervisor.....Peter Yasses Councilmen.....Sue Fuller (Via ZOOM) Josh Kent Eric Zuber Jeff Thompson Town Clerk......Debra Buck-Leaton (Via ZOOM) **Invited Guests:** Attorney Paul Boylan.....Boylan Law Office Public: (VIA ZOOM): Jim Lamkin Dave Engle Vic DiGregorio Gayla Starowitz Kaitlyn Moucha Augusta Rolfe Jim Northup Kim Kulzer Linda Boyce Michelle Piasecki, Harris Beach Keddy Chandran, Nextera

(IN PERSON)

Tess Zuber

Kathy and Steven Doty

George Squires

Ben Raccuia

Corky Shaw

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

Supervisor Yasses led the people in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A <u>motion</u> was made by Councilman Thompson to open the Public Hearing regarding the adoption of a Local Law to amend the Zoning Law of the Town of Byron to regulate the installation of Solar Panels or any devices designed to convert Solar Energy to electricity at 7:03 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zuber and carried with the following vote:

Vote:

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BYRON December 1, 2020 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Byron will hold a series of Public Hearings regarding the adoption of a Local Law to amend the Zoning Law of the Town of Byron to regulate the installation of Solar Panels or any devices designed to convert Solar Energy to electricity as revised following the public hearing held October 27, 2020.

The Hearings will be held on December 1, 2020, at the South Byron Fire Hall on Route 237 in the Town of Byron. Attendance at each meeting will be limited to a total occupancy in the South Byron Fire Hall to fifty (50) persons. Residents of the Town of Byron wishing to attend the Hearing will be required to sign a request form which is available at the Lobby of the Town Clerk's Office, 7028 Byron Holley Road. Only persons signing the request form will be permitted to attend a hearing in person.

ALL PERSONS ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING ARE REQUIRED TO OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING AND TO WEAR MASKS COVERING THEIR NOSES AND MOUNTHS OR WEAR A FACE SHEILD COVERING THEIR ENTIRE FACE.

The hearing will be available to all members of the public by video conferencing via Zoom.

Copies of the proposed Local Law are available at the Town Clerk's Office during her regular business hours and on the Town of Byron website at www.byronny.com.

Dated: November 16, 2020

By Order of the Town Board

Town of Byron

Debra Buck-Leaton, Town Clerk

Attorney Paul Boylan reviewed the changes made to the proposed solar law since the last Public Hearing:

- 1. Renumbered sections so it's easier to refer to different sections.
- 2. Page 1 reversed order of objectives.
- 3. Page 3 reversed order of objectives.
- 4. Page 6 changed definition of Tier 3.
- 5. Page 7 eliminated the references to no. 3.
- 6. Page 9 the depth of the cables to be buried was 24" because that's what the Code says. Vehicle paths separate subdivision and new subdivision was added for stripped topsoil
- 7. Page 10 requiring an irrevocable line of credit
- 8. Page 12 Fencing inserted vegetation requirements for screening. Added section regarding fees owner to pay annual fees.
- 9. Page 15 Added Tier 4 Appendix to be added.

Public Comments: None

A <u>motion</u> was made by Councilman Thompson to close the Public Hearing regarding the adoption of a Local Law to amend the Zoning Law of the Town of Byron to

regulate the installation of Solar Panels or any devices designed to convert Solar Energy to electricity at 7:19 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zuber and carried with the following vote:

Vote:

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Town Attorney Paul Boylan: The solar law will need to go to County Planning and they will make a recommendation. The Town Board will need to do SEQR and then once this is done the moratorium will be off.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra M. Buck-Leaton Byron Town Clerk