

SPECIAL MEETING - WOLCOTT TOWN BOARD – JUNE 13, 2022

A special meeting (Solar Energy Law) of the Wolcott Town Board was held Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 6:00 PM at the Wolcott Town Hall with the following people present:

PRESENT - Supervisor - Lynn Chatfield  
Councilman - Adam Ellis, Jr.  
Councilman - Dan Youngman  
Councilman – Ray Hauss  
Councilman – Jordan Brown (ABSENT)

OTHERS PRESENT - Jessica Freer, Town Clerk; Zach Decker, Highway Superintendent; Karli Starczewski, Assessor’s Clerk; Jack Whitaker, Wolcott; Dave Doyle and Lance Brabant, MRB Group.

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.  
Pledge of Allegiance -

The purpose of this special meeting is to discuss creating a Solar Energy Law for the Town of Wolcott and any other business that might come before the Board.

SOLAR LAW –

1. Lance Brabant of MRB Group passed out packets and gave a presentation about Solar Energy Systems to the Board. There was lots of information he presented about Solar Facilities and what could be done as a township to regulate them. The Board asked various questions throughout the presentation and discussed the next steps moving forward. It was the decided to establish the committee.

TOWN OF WOLCOTT, COUNTY OF WAYNE  
Resolution No. 21 of 2022

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE TOWN OF WOLCOTT SOLAR ENERGY LAW  
PLANNING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Wolcott is in need of research and planning to create legislation regarding a local law governing solar energy facilities in the Town of Wolcott; and  
WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Wolcott is authorized under the provisions of New York State Town Law to appoint members of the community to serve on a Planning Committee; and  
WHEREAS, the Planning Committee is required to have a specific charge to guide the efforts of the Planning Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Wolcott does hereby determine the action to establish a Planning Committee is Classified as a Type II Action, under the provisions of Part 617.5. (c) (24) of the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Regulations; and that such classification is not subject to review under Part 617, as Type II Actions have been determined not to have a significant impact upon the environment or are otherwise precluded from environmental review under the State Environmental Conservation Law, article 8.

SOLAR LAW – (cont'd)

RESOLUTION – (cont'd)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Wolcott does hereby establish a five (5) member Planning Committee, to work with the following Town Staff members:

- 1) Dan Youngman, Councilman
- 2) Don Camp, Code Enforcement Officer
- 3) Amber Roberts, Assessor

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following persons are hereby appointed to serve as members of the Solar Energy Law Planning Committee: Jack Whitaker, Bob Milliman, Karli Starczewski, Ray Hauss, and Zach Decker.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Ray Hauss is hereby appointed to serve as the chairperson of the Solar Energy Law Planning Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Karli Starczewski is hereby appointed to serve as the Clerk of the Solar Energy Law Planning Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Wolcott does hereby authorize the MRB Group, D.P.C., to provide technical assistance to the Solar Energy Law Planning Committee, in accordance with an agreement established by the Town Board for such services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Solar Energy Law Planning Committee is subject to the provisions of the State's Open Meetings Law as adopted Town Board which require public notice of meetings, public participation at meetings and the keeping of meeting minutes to be filed with the Town Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Solar Energy Law Planning Committee is hereby charged to review the current ordinances for existing solar facilities, review similar localities' solar ordinances, gather input from the community on solar facilities, draft a proposed solar energy law for the Town Board of the Town of Wolcott.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Solar Energy Law Planning Committee shall provide the Town Board with a draft report of their findings and recommendations not later than January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

The above resolution was moved by Dan Youngman and seconded by Adam Ellis at a special meeting of the Town Board, held on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022. After discussion the following roll call vote was taken and recorded in the Official Meeting Minutes of the Board.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE - Chatfield "YES", Ellis "YES", Youngman "YES",  
Hauss "YES", Brown "ABSENT".

The next regular meeting of the Wolcott Town Board will be held June 21, 2022, at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall.

A motion was made by Adam Ellis, seconded by Dan Youngman to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Freer,  
Town Clerk