

Middletown Springs Planning Commission
Approved minutes
March 6, 2017

Members present: Tom Hurcomb, Hilary Solomon and John Arsenault.

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 PM by Chairman J. Arsenault.

Agenda Approval: Approved as presented.

- 1) Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of February 6, 2017:
Motion to approve as presented was made and seconded and passed unanimously.
Approval of the minutes of the public hearing of March 2, 2017.
Motion to approve as presented was made and seconded and passed unanimously.
- 2) Correspondence:
 - a. A copy of a Notice of Appearance of Attorney Randy J. Miller, II on behalf of the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources dated February 2, 2017 in the matter of the application of Orchard Road Solar I, LLC. No action is necessary at this time.
 - b. A copy of a letter from Richard M. Spitalny dated February 3, 2017 in the matter of the application of Orchard Road Solar I, LLC. No action is necessary at this time.
 - c. A copy of an order issued by the Vermont Public Service Board on February 22, 2017 regarding a discussion of significant issues that have been raised in the matter of the application of Orchard Road Solar I, LLC for a certificate of public good to install and operate a 500 kW group net-metered solar electric power generation system in Middletown Springs. The order also announced the opening of an investigation into potential impacts of the project on aesthetics, historic sites and orderly development. No action is necessary at this time.
- 3) Old Business:
 - a. Renewal of Town Plan: There was discussion of the items that would be presented at Town Meeting.
 - b. Orchard Road Solar: No further developments to be discussed.
- 4) RRPC: The new Middletown Springs Town Plan was discussed at the Community Affairs meeting but not acted upon. Action will be proposed by the staff after the Town votes to accept or reject the Plan.

Elysa Smigielski will attend our April meeting to go over how we can work with the RRPC and its staff.
- 5) Building Committee: No report.
- 6) New Business: Tom commented on Article 31 on the Town Warrant concerning financial support for the Regional Marketing Initiative.

On a motion duly made and seconded it was resolved that Tom would present this item at Town Meeting and state that this initiative was consistent with the work being done by the Creative Economy Group and the proposed Town Plan.

7) Next meeting date: Monday, April 3, 2017, 4:00 p.m.

8) Adjournment: 6:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,
John E. Arsenault, Secretary