

# BARRE TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

The Town of Barre Planning Commission held its regular meeting and a public hearing on **Wednesday, August 19, 2015** beginning at **7:00** p.m. at the **Municipal Building**, Lower Websterville, to consider the following:

## **Members Present:**

Cedric Sanborn	Charlie Thygesen
Chris Violette	Debra Bordo
George Clain	

## **Members Absent:**

Claire Duke	John Hameline
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## **Others Present:**

Alex Bravakis	Gladys & Bertil Agell
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## **Staff Present:**

Heidi Bennett

## **1) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

## **2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*On a motion made by Clain, seconded by Bordo the Planning Commission voted to approve the minutes from July 15, 2015.*

## **3) WARNED PUBLIC HEARINGS (7:05 p.m.)**

None

## **4) OTHER:**

Follow-up presentation from Alex Bravakis (Novus Energy) regarding changes made to the Pine Hill Road solar project.

*Moved rows further away from Agell and will be adding some planting – eliminating the view*

*Will also be adding some greenery to the Canadian Club side.*

*Panels won't specifically rise up, the land slopes away from the neighbors.*

*Keeping all trees and shrubs that are existing.*

Report from George regarding his attendance at the legislative study committee on solar siting

*Clain believes the committee is there to make sure the 90% renewal stage happens, and if you're opposed they'll listen, but not there to deal with complaints. If you're looking to stop solar or wind – this isn't the place.*

Report from Cedric regarding the VLCT Quality of Life and Land use Committee

*There's a push back from communities regarding the solar panels.*

5) **ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT(S):**

Continue discussion regarding proposed zoning amendments

*See document for suggested changes*

6) **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Certificate of Public Good for AT&T/American Tower telecommunication tower in the gravel pit off the end of Fisher Road.

7) **ROUND TABLE:**

8) **ADJOURN!**

*On a motion by Sanborn, seconded by Violette, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting of August 19, 2015 at 9:07 p.m.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Heidi Bennett

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Cedric Sanborn, Chair

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John Hameline

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Charlie Thygesen Sr.

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George Clain

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Debra Bordo

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