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## TOWN OF KINGSTON GREEN ENERGY COMMITTEE

Meeting : April 15, 2021 5:00pm Town House

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mark Beaton at 5:02pm

Committee attendance Gene Wyatt, Tony Nessrella, Jeanette Pasquale (new member attending Zoom)

The Chairman thanked Patricia Tucker for assisting the committee with the Zoon call and technical issues.

Content of meeting taped and available via PACTV

Presentation by Green Development LLC is attached

The Chairman presented the agenda and rules

Green Development CEO Mark Pasquale introduced his company to committee and public. A video was presented regarding the company's experience, including a development on Rodom Road in North Kingstown RI. The subdivision centerpiece was a 1.5 Vensys 82, 1.5 megawatt turbine, hub right 85 meters, tip height 414 feet. The closest homes are within 300-400 feet of turbine and range in pricing from \$400,00 to \$600,000.

The turbine is located on a parcel at 42 Howhorne Road, the property owned and home of the CEO Mark Pasquale. There was an offer for tours of the property by the developer.

The presentation, by Hanna Morini, Director of Business Development is attached for review. Following the Presentation, the floor was open to questions and answers by the committee and included:

Comment by Mark Beaton, the Rhode Island location would be comparable to placing a turbine in Indian Pond Estates. He also mentioned that Green Development is a vertically integrated company and they design, develop, construct and maintain the development. The company does not sub-contract. There was discussion pertaining to bonding for potential decommissioning to guarantee protection of Town. The company agreed the bond held in escrow would be feasible.

Green Development is proposing and moving forward on a similar project in Ipswich and expects favorable outcome with the Town.

The Chairman discussed the Wind Overlay District and that the Turbine is permissible if following the established Massachusetts rules and regulations regarding construction and placement.

Gene Wyatt asked of the possibility of moving the footings further from the highway and Hanna Morini stated it would be considered.

Tony Nessralla questioned mitigation of flicker and Hanna Morinin responded that engineers would consider various aspects to address concerns.

There were multiple questions and comments from the audience on Zoom including:

- Potential to change size and move location; Olivia Alaqueney, 49 Prospect St
- Noise concerns...Green representative said ambient local noise is louder; Denise Wilkes, Portsmouth RI
- Flicker Mitigation; Eric Ferris, 40 Prospect St Michelle Perrys, 2 Schofield Rd

Discussion returned to Green Energy Committee

Mark Beaton motioned for a favorable action by Board of Selectmen for deconstruction and reconstruction of new Turbine. Gen Wyatt suggested company look into storage batteries to mitigate

Motion called 4-0 in favor

Motion to Adjourn at 6:25pm Gene Wyatt Second Mark Beaton 4-0