

June 30, 2022

The special meeting of the Tyre Town Board was held Thursday, June 30, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Tyre Municipal Building, 1082 Gravel Road, Seneca Falls, NY 13148

Councilman Sutterby called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for resident Mary Sutterby

Roll Call: Councilman Reginald Aceto – here; Councilman Jeff Bennett - here; Councilman Henry Bickel – here; Councilman Kenneth Sutterby – here; Supervisor Beth Partee – absent

Others Present: Dennis Stone; Tim Bush

Motion made by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Bickel to open the Public Hearing regarding Proposed Local Law #3 of 2022 “A Local Law establishing a second moratorium on solar farms and solar power in the Town of Tyre.

VOTE: Aye - 4; Nay – 0; Absent – 1; Abstain – 0

Public Hearing opened at 6:32 p.m.

The Town Board passed a resolution authorizing this public hearing on June 16, 2022 and official notice for tonight’s hearing was published in the Finger Lakes Times on June 18, 2022.

For those wishing to speak at the Public Hearing this evening, comments are to be limited to the Proposed Local Law #3 of 2022 which is the sole topic of this Public Hearing. The Board will hear comments and questions from the community and will give consideration to them in its decision making process. The Board will also take written comments into consideration, and will place those comments into the record. All speakers shall come up to the podium and state their name for the record. Is there anyone wishing to address the Board?

Tim Bush asked the Board what the Town is doing to try and stop the solar farms?

There was general discussion about the Town Board looking at the Town's regulations and concerns over property values. There was also general concern regarding aesthetics and what happens when they stop using the solar panels.

Councilman Sutterby asked if there was anyone else who would like to address the Board with comments specific to Proposed Local Law #3?

No further comments

Councilman Sutterby stated as there are no further comments, is there a motion to close the Public Hearing?

Motion made by Councilman Aceto, seconded by Councilman Bennett to close the Public Hearing regarding Proposed Local Law #3 of 2022 "A Local Law establishing a second moratorium on solar farms and solar power in the Town of Tyre.

VOTE: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Absent – 1; Abstain – 0

Public Hearing is closed at 6:48 p.m.

Open Privilege of the Floor: None

Resolution authorizing the adoption of Local Law #3 of 2022

Motion made by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Bickel authorizing the adoption of Local Law #3 of 2022 "A Local Law establishing a second moratorium on solar farms and solar power plants in the Town of Tyre".

Motion is carried by the following vote:

Vote: Aye – 4; Nay – 0; Absent – 1; Abstain – 0

Unfinished Business:

Reminder to review the proposed water service law amendments that were forward to the Town Board last week. The Town Engineer will be at our July 21, 2022 board meeting to review these items with us.

Councilman Aceto stated that he would rather see a yearly rate sheet that can be amended as needed instead of changing the local law every year. General discussion and agreement by the Town Board regarding this suggestion. Councilman Aceto will reach out to the Town Engineer and let him know that the Board is in general consensus on this and will also check with other Towns to see what they do.

New Business: None

Reminder: The next Town Board Meeting will be held on July 21, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment:

Councilman Bennet moved, seconded by Councilman Bickel that the meeting be adjourned at 6:53p.m. VOTE: Aye – 4 ; Nay – 0; Absent – 1; Abstain – 0

Submitted by,

Carolyn Sosnowski
Tyre Town Clerk

