The Special Board of Trustees Meeting Tuesday May 20, 2023, was called to order at approximately 6:15 PM by Chairman Tomaino. After the Pledge of Allegiance, the roll call was taken, Chairman Tomaino, Trustee Villone, Trustee DiBernardi and Zoning Inspector Kurilla were present.

Chairman Tomaino stated that this public hearing is being held pursuant to Section 519.12 of the Ohio Revised Code for the purpose of receiving public comment and testimony regarding a proposed text amendment to change Section 21.1-21.07 Small Solar Energy Systems, & Change subsequent wording as needed.

Mr. Kurilla read the legal ad and notice of the public hearing and publication on Friday March 14, 2025.

Mr. Kurilla read the proposed draft of text amendment (6 pages) to the Township Zoning Resolution – Article 21 – Small Solar Energy Systems (under 50 MW), Sections 21.01-21.07.

The Chairman read the recommendation from the County Planning Commission. The Planning Commission Motioned to recommend approval, February 25, 2025.

The Chairman read the recommendation from the Township Zoning Commission for the Text Amendment. The Zoning Board motioned to recommend approval of Text Amendment dated March 25, 2025.

Chairman Tomaino stated that the Board of Trustees would now take comments and testimony from the general public regarding the proposed Zoning Text Amendment

To Oppose:

Bryce Bond opposed the section proposed on the responsibility of the land owner to clean up if and when the solar farm is no longer in use. Mr. Bond feels the company that leased the land should shoulder some responsibility in the cleanup.

In Favor:

NO PUBLIC SPOKE IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSAL.

Trustee Villone commented that the section for the clean up be modified to say. If the company involved is still in business that they share in the cost of the cleanup, if not still in business, then the land owner shoulders the responsibility and has 6 months to complete.

There were no further comments.

Trustee Tomaino moved that they accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission to approve the proposed Text Amendment, save the modifications stated pertaining to the clean up responsibility to the Township Zoning Resolution, 05-20-25-S1, seconded by Ms. DiBernardi:

Roll Call Mr.Tomaino Yes

At approximately 6:44 PM, Mr. Tomaino made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Villone and passed with 3 ayes, 05-20-25-S2.

Date: