

## October 5, 2015, Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting

Members Present: Bruce Lyon, Peter Koziol, Larry Simmons, Wilbur Hills, Paul Nagle

Others Present: Bridget Cuddihy and Andres Rivera from Monolith, and Bob Peters

Chairman Lyon called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, roll call of officers taken.

**A Motion** was made by Paul Nagle and was seconded by Wilbur Hills to re-appoint Bruce Lyon as chairman of the board. Ayes All

**A Motion** was made by Larry Simmons and was seconded by Wilbur Hills to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2014 board meeting. Ayes All

The clerk read a letter from David Kuehnle asking the boards to review a Special Permit request submitted by Monolith Solar Associates. Inc.

Bridget Cuddihy and Andres Rivera shared the following information with the board.

Monolith Solar has been in business for 7 years, they have solar gardens in Schenectady, Hoosick Falls, and Amsterdam. The proposed garden is 600 KLW with the energy generated staying locally. The panels reach about 9 3/4' high, set on racking with the panels being about 3' off the ground. The racking is set in gravel rows. The panels have a life expectancy of 20 years. Snow slides off them and they don't give off a glare.

One or two local independent contractors may be hired to mow the property.

**A Motion** was made by Paul Nagle and seconded by Peter Koziol to request that the Manheim Planning Board review the Monolith Special Permit application and return their findings to the ZBA. Ayes All

**A Motion** was made by Larry Simmons and was seconded by Bruce Lyon to request that the Manheim Planning Board act as lead agency in the SEQRA review of this proposed project. Ayes All

**A Motion** was made to adjourn at 7:40pm by Peter Koziol with a second by Wilbur Hills. Ayes All

Respectfully Submitted,

Marie Gressler

Clerk/Secretary