

Town of Fenner Planning Board Minutes: 4/19/2023

Present: Monica Cody, Andre Schokker, Andy Stone, Pete Snyder, Sue Yanulis

Community Members: Dave Senehi

Andy Stone called meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Discussion of meeting minutes from 3/15/2023:

Andy Stone has dropped off SECRA for Wayne Emmons to sign. It has been returned signed to the Town office.

Motion to approve Meeting Minutes from 3/15/2023 by Pete Snyder, second by Andre Schokker. Motion carries.

Preliminary for subdivision of 78.-1-31.111 on Fenner East Rd.

Still awaiting paperwork, no discussion can occur until Mr. Bodley provides appropriate application.

Mr. Senehi's Wind Project

RESRFP-22-1. The req was submitted last week. Energy deliverability study was done. No other NYSERDA project is impacted by this project. The project is in a system impact study stage. Line Tap will be pursued. Project is small by average wind size project standards. Transfer Station has to be turned back over to NYSERDA for \$1 upon project completion. Work has begun on the project. Road is cleared, turbine areas are cleared. Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) is complete. Turbines are GE-107-103's.

In 2016, plan changed to move location of 2 wind turbines. Environmental Assessment and noise evaluation is complete. Viewshed evaluation is complete. Bird studies are complete. Approved variance and special use permit in 2016 to put two closer onto the property (nearer each other) and shifted a 3rd tower to stay away from energy line.

There are two options for the project turbines, GE-107103 (these are 320' to tip height, smaller blades and larger tower to existing wind farm), or 4.2MW units from EnterCon, which would only need 3 turbines in the project. Those are bigger blades but on 67m tower, and would be shorter blade and bigger tower than existing wind farm).

The original substation was \$7.4MM, the new one will be 19.9mW and is less expensive. Smaller than originally permitted.

The interconnection from Interbus to line tap has been the holdup on this project. The DEC requires that earth moved was replanted to prevent runoff.

NY ISO first part of the interconnection project requires feasibility study, the feasibility study is complete and now the project is in the System Impact Study Phase. The design is not complete, but there is a general idea. Nothing will be any larger than what is already permitted.

A public hearing for a special use permit for the new site plan and substation changes will be set for meeting May 17 at 7:35PM. Changes should be communicated in the future so planning board can confirm if additional discussion is warranted.

Project is in the Interconnection Queue #1156 for a construction date of 2024, but that could be variable based on regulatory process.

Motion to close by Pete, second by Andre 8:44PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Cody