

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES – Finalized August 18, 2021

SUBJECT: Investigation of Antrim Wind Energy Facility

DATE OF PUBLIC MEETING: June 17, 2021

LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING: New Hampshire Department of Transportation, 7 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH in Room 114 of the John O. Morton Building

The following Subcommittee members were present as confirmed through roll-call:

Jonathan Evans (Presiding Officer) – NH Dept. Of Transportation

Thomas Eaton – Public Member

John Duclos – NH Dept. of Environmental Services

Individuals Appearing before the Subcommittee:

Michael Haley –Site Evaluation Committee counsel, NH Dept. of Justice

John-Mark Turner – Subcommittee retained counsel, Sheehan Phinney Bass & Green

Presiding Officer Jonathan Evans called the public meeting to order.

The following items were addressed:

1. Housekeeping

A rollcall of the subcommittee members and counsel was conducted. Jon Evans noted that the meeting was being recorded both electronically and by a court reporter. He asked those providing comment to speak clearly into the microphone and to state their name and if they wished to provide any other information you believed to be relevant such as their address or organizational affiliations.

2. Approval of April 20, 2021 and May 21, 2021 Public Meeting Minutes.

J. Evans asked the subcommittee if there were any concerns or suggested changes to the draft minutes from either meeting. None were expressed. J. Evans moved to adopt the minutes from both the April 20, 2021 and May 21, 2021 meetings. Second: John Duclos. Thomas Eaton indicated he would abstain from voting as he was not present at either meeting. A roll call vote was conducted: J. Evans, yes; J. Duclos, yes; and T. Eaton, abstained. **MOTION PASSED.**

3. Rules during the meeting:

J. Evans indicated that each individual who registered to provide public comment in advance of the meeting would be allowed five minutes to speak followed by an opportunity for the subcommittee to ask questions of the speaker. He noted that the question and answer period would not count towards a speaker's five-minute comment period. J. Evans asserted that public

comment during the meeting shall be limited to discussing the Subcommittee's first charge, namely "the appropriate methodologies for measurement and analysis of sound, and procedure for validating noise complaints" and that as the Presiding Officer he would enforce the time and discussion limits to ensure a fair, efficient, and orderly meeting.

J. Evans noted that comments on the subcommittee's first charge will be accepted for a period of two weeks and must be submitted via the docket distribution list no later than 5:00 PM on July 1, 2021 for consideration.

J. Evans noted that the subcommittee received a request from Attorney Thomas Getz to register two speakers on behalf of Antrim Wind and raised a question on the order of the speakers. He suggested that the speakers be called up in alphabetical order by last name and that anyone from the public who requested to speak by registering in advance be allowed to speak.

4. The subcommittee received public testimony from and asked questions of the following individuals:
 - a. Lori Lerner – Resident, Bridgewater NH
 - b. Richard Block – Resident, Antrim NH
 - c. Lisa Linowes – Executive Director, Wind Action Group
 - d. Barry Needleman – Attorney, McLane Middleton
 - e. Rob O'Neal – Epsilon Associates
 - f. Bob Edwards – Select Board Member, Town of Antrim
 - g. Dr. Fred Ward
 - h. Joe Wilkas – Resident, Bridgewater NH

The subcommittee acknowledged the presence of the NH Department of Justice's Counsel for the Public, Attorney Allen Brooks and asked if he wished to offer any comments. Attorney Brooks provided comment and accepted questions from the subcommittee.

5. Next steps

J. Evans restated that written comments on the subcommittee's first charge will be accepted for a period of two weeks and must be submitted via the docket distribution list no later than 5:00 PM on July 1, 2021 for consideration. He noted that the subcommittee would then post a draft recommendation by July 15, 2021, invite written comments to be submitted by July 29, 2021, and will hold a public meeting on or around August 16, 2021 to decide whether to adopt the draft recommendation as written or as modified.

All those present agreed to adjourn the meeting at approximately 3:00 PM.