## HOLLIS PLANNING BOARD SITE WALK NOTES SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2018

## **FINAL**

**PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bill Moseley, Chair; Doug Cleveland, Vice Chair; Chet Rogers, Rick Hardy, Cathy Hoffman, Doug Cleveland, Jeff Peters, David Petry, Ex-Officio for the Selectmen. **CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tom Dufresne, Chair.

**STAFF:** Mark Fougere, Planner; Virginia Mills, Planning Secretary.

**TIME**: 8:00 am

**WEATHER:** Cloudy, drizzle, upper 40's

The Planning Board convened on Saturday, November 10, 2018 at 8:00 am to conduct four site walks, beginning with the Moskun solar array on Dow Road.

FILE #2018-18: Site plan for construction of two ground mounted solar systems 78'x18'. Owner: James Moskun; Applicant: ReVision Energy, 12 Bell Lane, Map 9 Lot 2, Zoned R/A Residential & Agricultural. MAP 56, LOT 21.

**Also Present:** Dan Weeks, ReVision Energy; Jim Moskun, owner and applicant; a group of abutters and interested parties.

Chair Bill Moseley reviewed the procedural rules regarding site walks; specifically that a site walk is a public meeting and the public is welcome to attend, but no public input is allowed.

Project manager Dan Weeks summarized the project, which is for two rows of a ground mounted 36.6 kilowatt solar array. The height will be 10', so no waivers will be required. The footprint is 78'x38'. If laid flat, the total surface coverage would be 950 sq. ft. The amount of power generated will offset the majority of that used on the property (house and barn). The layout is in landscape mode. The framing will be panels and racking anchored by "earth screws" that are driven 4' into the ground. There will be underground conduits.

There was a discussion of screening options. C. Rogers asked about screening close to the array, but R. Hardy felt that screening right next to the panels would not be effective. He suggested that the screening should be 30'-40' out from the array. C. Rogers requested that the applicant bring a screening plan to the next meeting. D. Weeks stated that there are many screening options and he will bring renderings to the next meeting. Board members agreed that screening is the major issue to resolve and should be the focus at the next Planning Board meeting.

The site walk concluded at approx. 8:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Mills Interim Planning Secretary