

Fort Fairfield Town Council Special Meeting
Council Chambers
Wednesday, April 3, 2013
3:30 P.M.

Councilors: David McCrea, Jason Barnes, Mark Babin, Susan LeVasseur and John Herold

Staff: Mike Bosse, Tony Levesque, Tom Towle & George Watson

Citizens: 1

- I. Roll Call - Chair David McCrea asked that the record reflect all councilors present
- II. Prayer – Councilor Mark Babin offered the prayer
- III. Pledge to the Flag - All in attendance pledged their allegiance to the Flag.
- IV. Old Business - NONE
- V. New Business –

- A. Approve Resolution 13-04 to Support a RFP to MPUC for Wind Energy Project.

Motion: Jason Barnes moved to approve Resolution 13-04 to Support a RFP to MPUC for Wind Energy Project.

Second: John Herold

Vote – All affirmative

Dan has been working with Shamrock for the past five years regarding a potential wind energy project to be located in Fort Fairfield. There have been a number of impediments prohibiting this project from moving forward. The Maine Public Utilities Commission has issued a Request for Proposal for a Community-Based Renewable Energy Pilot Program to obtain a long-term power purchase agreement.

The application requires a Resolution from the Town Council supporting the application. The project is estimated to have a total capital cost of \$25 - \$30 million to develop a 10 MW Wind Energy Project. The taxable assessed value is estimated to be around \$10 - \$15 million dollars.

This Resolution of Support is only the first step in finalizing this wind energy project. If Shamrock is successful in obtaining this agreement from the PUC, the Council and the citizens will then be reviewing the complete project profile before final approval is given.

Discussion:

John Herold – Does our approval and signing off of this today in anyway

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precludes any other organization of us giving them the same support and approval.

Dan – My recommendation to the council that any support or approval for any project should be based strictly on the merits of the project.

Council will get enough information to know whether this is a viable project and if it is in the best interest of the community.

VI. Other - NONE

VII. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 3:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Council Secretary
Rebecca J. Hersey