

**TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD  
SELECTMEN'S HALL – 96 MAIN STREET – THIRD FLOOR  
SPECIAL SELECTBOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018 @ 10:00 AM**

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**AGENDA**

**WELCOME:** Visitors are most welcome at the Selectboard Meetings. Anyone wishing to address the Selectboard on a specific matter is required to make arrangements to appear on the Agenda with either the Selectboard Chair, Kristi Morris, or the Town Manager, Tom Yennerell, before the Friday preceding each meeting. Emergency matters can be handled by requesting recognition by the Chair under – Any Requested Additions to the Agenda section of the agenda.

- A. **PRESENTATION:** To discuss two (2) proposed solar projects with interested parties, including the Southern Windsor County Regional Planning Commission, the Town of Springfield Selectboard and Planning Commission

This meeting is occurring because the developers of the projects are seeking "Preferred Site" status and the and the Springfield Planning Commission, Selectboard and the Regional Planning Commission determine if it is a preferred site.

The meeting's purpose is to receive input from the developers. If you have any questions, please let me know.

This is the criteria that determines if the site is "preferred":

"Preferred Site" means one of the following:

- (1) A new or existing structure whose primary use is not the generation of electricity or providing support for the placement of equipment that generates electricity;
- (2) A parking lot canopy over a paved parking lot, provided that the location remains in use as a parking lot;
- (3) A tract previously developed for a use other than siting a plant on which a structure or impervious surface was lawfully in existence and use prior to July 1 of the year preceding the year in which an application for a certificate of public good under this Rule is filed. To qualify under this subdivision
- (3) the limits of disturbance of a proposed net-metering system must include either the existing structure or impervious surface and may not include any headwaters, streams, shorelines, floodways, rare and irreplaceable natural areas, necessary wildlife habitat, wetlands, endangered species, productive forestlands, or primary agricultural soils, all of which are as defined in 10 V.S.A. chapter 151;
- (4) Land certified by the Secretary of Natural Resources to be a brownfield site as defined under 10 V.S.A. §6642;
- (5) A sanitary landfill as defined in 10 V.S.A. §6602, provided that the Secretary of Natural Resources certifies that the land constitutes such a landfill and is suitable for the development of the plant;
- (6) The disturbed portion of a lawful gravel pit, quarry, or similar site for the extraction of a mineral resource, provided that all activities pertaining to site reclamation required by applicable law or permit condition are completed prior to the installation of the plant; Vermont Rule 5.100 Effective July 1, 2017 Public Utility Commission, Page 10 of 58.
- (7) A specific location designated in a duly adopted municipal plan under 24 V.S.A. chapter 117 for the siting of a renewable energy plant or specific type or size of renewable energy plant, provided that the plant meets the siting criteria recommended in the plan for the location; or a specific location that is identified in a joint letter of support from municipal legislative body and municipal and regional planning commissions in the community where the net-metering system will be located.
- (8) A site listed on the National Priorities List (NPL) established under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. chapter 103, if the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency of Natural Resources confirms that the site is listed on the NPL, and further provided that the Applicant Demonstrates as part of its CPG application that:
  - (a) development of the plant on the site will not compromise or interfere with remedial action on the site; and
  - (b) the site is suitable for development of the plant.
- (9) On the same parcel as, or directly adjacent to, a customer that has been allocated more than 50 percent of the net-metering system's electrical output. The allocation to the host customer may not be less than 50 percent during each of the first 10 years of the net-metering system's operation.