

**Planning Board  
Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2012**

Present: Michael Fitzgerald, Chair (MF)  
Lauren Preston-Wells (LPW)  
Sarah Holbrook (SH)  
Ken Miller (KM)  
Brittany Martin (BM)

The meeting is called to order at 7:36pm.

1. Board reviews the March 7, 2012 minutes. LPW moves to accept the minutes, as amended SH seconds and all vote in favor.
2. Board discusses budget for this year; currently \$250 under budget.
3. KM discusses the FRCOG meeting.
4. Board reviews letter to Senator Fiengold, dated December 7, 2011, regarding the FCRPB's (Franklin County Regional Planning Board) interest in the Wind Energy Siting Reform Act.
5. Board reviews letter to Secretary Sullivan, dated December 7, 2011, regarding Wind Energy Facility Siting.
6. Board discusses article in Berkshire Eagle regarding state wind act.
7. LPW went to Robert Rand lecture at Memorial Hall in Shelburne Falls. Discusses Robert Rand's studies.
8. Board discusses equipment safety and decibel safety levels.
9. Board reviews and edits the wind turbine siting draft bylaw. The following items are discussed:
  - a. 14.1 – change to 14.2 and continue change throughout section;
  - b. 14.3.2 – change to: ...SPGA with **10** copies...;
  - c. 14.3.1 (a) – add at the end: participating neighbors;
  - d. 14.3.2 (d) – change to: Existing areas of tree cover **and proposed clearing**, including...;
  - e. 14.3.1 (f) – change to: ...below in **14.3.5** of this...;
  - f. 14.3.4 (a) – change to: ...exceed noise pollution limits...;
  - g. 14.3.4 (b) – change last sentence to: This may include a bond or other surety for the Select Board or Highway Superintendent;
  - h. 14.3.4 (c, ii) – add at the end: and manufacturer of turbine.;
  - i. 14.3.4 (d) – make 1) and 2) new paragraphs;
  - j. 14.3.4 (d, ii) – change end to read: ...any acoustically reflective surface...;
  - k. 14.3.4 (e) – change to read: ...Section 6.5 the SPGA may opt...;
  - l. 14.3.4 (f) – move to 14.3.5 (d)
  - m. 14.3.5 (a) – change first word to: Visual;

Meeting adjourns at 9:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brittany Martin