



# Town of Knox Planning Board

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Minutes: December 9 2021

Present: Ed Ackroyd, Todd LaGrange, Betty Ketcham, Deb Nelson, Tom Wolfe, Bill Pasquini and Kurt Johnson via google meet.

Meeting called to order at 7:30pm.

Review of November minutes.

*Tom made a motion to accept them, Ed second it, all in favor*

## RIC Energy Solar Array

- Chris Ross and Kevin returned to the Knox Planning Board to discuss the proposed solar array project on 1953 Thompsons Lake Rd.
- Planning Board members have had time to review the packet that was presented at November's meeting. In agreement that the packet of information looks thorough.
- Some requests would be to use a wildflower pollinator, have 1 time a year mowing and restrict the use of herbicide if possible.
- One question is in regards to the direction of the panels?  
Answer: The panels will shift east to west per the sun, it is a better system.
- Discussion of the proposed buffer. It may have to change due to public input and based on topography. It should not be visible from the road. Evergreen trees to be used to bolster the loss of foliage in winter months.
- Deb made a point to thank and acknowledge the avoidance of the wetlands and limiting the clearing of trees.
- Knox Box: this will need to be put in place. Knox Fire department to review.
- Public hearing to be held January 20 2022. This gives enough time to get comments together and notify the public.
- RIC to reach out to adjacent land owners within a ½ mile radius.
- Any changes made from public comment and the Planning Board will be done prior to public hearing so the new packet can be posted on the town website for review.

*Tom made a motion to adjourn, Deb second it, all in favor.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Next meeting to be held January 20 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tiffany Snyder Knox Planning Board Secretary

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