

**Town of Knox
Special Meeting
January 22, 2008**

PRESENT: Supervisor Hammond
Councilwoman Gage
Councilwoman Nagengast
Councilman Decker
Councilman Viscio

ALSO: Town Attorney Dorfman
Town Clerk Swain
Highway Superintendent Salisbury

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Supervisor Hammond reported that he and Robert Price visited the two possible locations for the purpose of taking photos of the helium balloon extended to the height of 195 feet to visualize the height of a cell tower. Photos were taken from these two locations and then generated into a power point presentation to visualize the cell tower as a monopole and a lattice tower.

The first location is Street Road: Presentation showed photos from these locations.

- Route 146 & Route 252 - structure will be visible
- #88 Street Road – structure will be visible
- #1282 Township Road Route 146 – structure will be visible
- Knox Town Park – structure will be visible
- #262 Middle Road near Busch Lane – structure will be visible
- Street Road and Knox Cave Road – structure not visible
- #206 Street Road – structure visible
- Route #156 near Knox Cemetery – structure will be visible

The second location is the Knox Town Park: Again, presentation showed photos from these locations.

- Route 156 Town Park Entrance – structure will be visible
- Street Road & Knox Gallupville Road – structure will be partially visible
- Route 156 Whipple's Farm Stand – structure not visible
- Middle Road & Beebe Road – structure not visible
- #55 Beebe Road – structure not visible
- Knox Cave Road & Street Road – structure will be partially visible
- Upper end of Street Road near Town Park Trail site – structure will be visible
- #281 Zimmer Road – structure will be visible

Questions from residents:

Why choose a location based on height, and why these two locations? With cell towers, the height is very important as far as coverage. These two locations are owned by the Town of Knox and the Town would receive the revenue.

How visible will the tower be? It will all depend on where the tower is located and where you are in town.

Will the tower be lit at night? No, the cell tower will only be 195 feet. Anything over 200 feet has to have a light on it.

Which location would serve more residents? The Street Road property would.

Is there a target date for completion? No

Dana Sherman, Fire Commissioner of the Knox Fire Department, said that, for the past three years, the fire company has been pursuing a cell tower for emergency reasons and income. He said the fire company will keep pursuing the cell tower.

Dan Driscoll presented an analysis concerning the proposed rezoning to the property on Street Road. Six of the seven planning board members agree that the Town Board should find alternate locations for the cell tower. The location on Street Road is in the Land Conservancy District 2 (LC2), these members of the Planning Board don't want to see the land disrupted in any way. These six members are concerned with ground water contamination, due to the servicing of the cell tower and/or backup generation.

Supervisor Hammond reported that in 1980, land was taken out of Land Conservancy District 1 (LC1) for an individually land owner.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Viscio, seconded by Councilman Decker, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
January 29, 2007

Kimberly D. Swain

