

TOWN OF PORTLAND PUBLIC HEARING
LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2020-EXTEND MORATORIUM OF CERTAIN WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS
PORTLAND TOWN HALL-May 28, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Daniel Schrantz	Supervisor
Jerry Boltz	Council
Patti Farrell	Council
Rick Manzella	Council
Gary Miller	Council- conference call

OTHERS PRESENT:

Joel Seachrist	Attorney
Roxane Sobecki	Town Clerk

Conference call number of attendees 10

Transcribed by Town Clerk Roxane Sobecki

SUPERVISOR: OK We will call this Public Hearing to order on May 28th, at 7:00. Please rise for the Pledge to the Flag.

I pledge Allegiance to the flag
of the United States of America
and to the Republic for which it stands,
one nation under God, indivisible,
with Liberty and Justice for all.

SUPERVISOR: The purpose of the Public Hearing is to extend the moratorium on the Wind, Local Law 1 for the year 2020. This local law is to extend the moratorium on the review and approval of certain Wind Energy conversion Systems in the Town of Portland. All residents at this time if you could please mute your phones, it will help with the feedback. And then you can unmute it for public comment later. Can everyone hear me OK?

Council Miller: I can hear you.

SUPERVISOR: OK

Dale Carlson: yes

SUPERVISOR: OK, Doug are you there? He was there. For some reason if you get logged off and can't get back on you can call my cell phone at 716-785-2723 if you need to speak.

(Background inaudible)

SUPERVISOR: 2723 yep, OK, I will read the local law.

Attorney: you don't have to read the whole thing.

Doug Walter

SUPERVISOR: I wouldn't read the whole law, basically the purpose of this is to extend the moratorium six months, and basically that's all we are doing at this time. So, I will open it up to the board for any board comments. The board have any comments on the local law. Joel you got anything.

Attorney: (inaudible) It's the exact same thing as you have done before. Ordinarily I don't recommend doing this more than a year but in this case the virus is kind of upset all the timelines, so I

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think your justified in doing it with the expectation we have it done sooner than six months. Hopefully in the next two to three months---

SUPERVISOR: So, if you heard that, we are extending it six months basically due to the fact the virus a didn't give us enough time to accomplish it, we will try to accomplish this sooner than six months. So that's the purpose of it. I guess at this time open up for any public comment. You can unmute, state your name. Dale you got anything---

Dale Carlson: I agree with what you're doing, I will say that I couldn't hear what Joel was saying so but that's OK.

SUPERVISOR: OK so basically, I repeated it a little cause I'm closer to the phone, but that's basically what he said--

Dale Carlson: No, I'm wasn't concerned about what he said, is the clarity for future use.

SUPERVISOR: OK, awe who else, anyone else want to speak. Gary you got anything---

Council Miller: Dan I'm in favor of it, when it comes to vote I'm going to vote for it.

SUPERVISOR: OK, Doug Walter---

Doug Walter: Can you hear me---

SUPERVISOR: Yes

Doug Walter: Yeah, I want to thank you guys for all you've done for this, and I appreciate hard work and stuff, and I agree with you extending it and and then a hope we can get a good ordinance put in and not worrying about what the governor is going to be doing because I believe once we get a good ordinance I don't see him coming and changing it. But that's just my thought. Hope everyone is being safe and good to hear from you.

SUPERVISOR: Thank you Doug, anyone else from the public, anyone else from the public. OK. Guess we can act on it. Have a motion to extend the Local Law number 1 for 2020. Board want to make that.

Council Manzella: I'll make that motion

Council Boltz: Second

SUPERVISOR: Rick Made the motion---

Clerk Sobecki: We need a roll call vote please.

SUPERVISOR Second by Jerry, roll call vote---

Council Boltz: Aye

Supervisor: Aye

Rick: Aye

Patti: Aye

SUPERVISOR: Gary, Aye.

SUPERVISOR: OK, any other questions, comments. Motion was made and approved. OK I guess that's all the business.

Council Manzella: Motion to adjourn

SUPERVISOR: Rick made a motion for adjournment

Council Farrell: Second

SUPERVISOR: Seconded by Patti, all if favor Aye, opposed, carried

SUPERVISOR: Thank you everyone

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I, Town Clerk Roxane Sobecki, certify that the foregoing transcript of the Public Hearing on May 28, 2020 is a true and accurate record.

Roxane Sobecki
Portland Town Clerk