

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WORKING SESSION
MAY 7, 2014
TOWN HALL
8:15 PM**

Board Members Present: Julie M. Hannum, Chairman
Rene C. Wood, Clerk
David A. Smith, Jr.

Others Present: Rhonda LaBombard, Town Administrator

Chairman Hannum called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Approval of the minutes was tabled.

Each Board member individually discussed their evaluation of Administrator LaBombard. All of the evaluation forms will be added to Administrator LaBombard's personnel file.

Assessor Tammy Blackwell and Kirt Mayland from Housatonic Solar 1 LLC were present to discuss a PILOT program for a solar project on East Stahl road. The Department of Revenue has determined that these programs should be referred to as Tax Agreements. Discussion ensued regarding the length of the agreement, the value of the project and other terms of the Agreement. It was the consensus all present to make a decision on this issue by June 1, 2014.

Discussion ensued regarding the request from the Bylaw Review Committee to have an electronic version of the zoning bylaws and a paid staff person to handle the Committee's clerical needs. Selectman Wood will contact Berkshire Regional Planning commission, if necessary, to discuss how the electronic version was handled with the last revision of the bylaws.

The Sheffield Hose Company submitted a Temporary Roadside Event sign permit for their annual Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast to be held on May 11, 2014. Selectman Wood moved to approve the Temporary Roadside Event Sign for the Sheffield Hose Company's Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast, seconded by Selectman Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued regarding closing Home Road from the Cross Road intersection for the Gravity Car Race to be held on May 17th, with a rain date of May 18th. Selectman Wood moved to approve the use of the Reverse 911 system to notify residents on Home Road that the road would be closed from 9 am to 5 pm on the day of the race, seconded by Selectman Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

Selectman Wood moved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of litigation strategies regarding Primax Properties and to not return to Open Session, seconded by Selectman Smith. The roll call vote was as follows:

Chairman Hannum – aye

Selectman Wood – aye

Selectman Smith – aye

Selectman Wood moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Selectman Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Hannum adjourned the meeting at 8:30

Respectfully submitted:

Rhonda LaBombard
Town Administrator

Documents were reviewed at this meeting:

Draft Tax Agreement for Solar Project on East Stahl Road

Application for Temporary Roadside Event Sign for Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast