

The Jefferson County Planning and Zoning Committee held a public meeting on Thursday January 26, 2023 at 7:00pm in the Jefferson County District Courtroom. Members present were Dustin Fairley, Kevin Banahan, Ethan Thorp, Andy Snyder, Bruce Weise, Randy Welsch, Mike Hansmire, CJ Forsgren, James Hahn, Bruce Livingston, and Zoning Administrator John McKee.

Chairman Welsch called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. Welsch noted the agenda and the meeting notice that was printed in the paper. Weise made a motion to approve the agenda and meeting notice. Seconded by Banahan. Motion Passed. Secretary Fairley read the minutes from the previous meeting. There was a correction in the first line of the minutes, the meeting was referred to as a hearing. The minutes were changed from a hearing to meeting. Weise moved to approve the corrected minutes. Seconded by Livingston. Motion passed.

The first items of business were comments from representatives about the proposed Commercial Wind Energy Conversion System regulations. Speaking were Mathew Jones of Next Era, David Levy of Baird Holm Law firm, Scott Gropp representing Jefferson County Wind Watchers, and Gregory Kratz.

Article 6.65(A)(6) Commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems General Site and Design.

Motion by Fairley to strike part B. "Five (5) times the height of the total system from any occupied primary residence of a non-participating property owner, measured from an exterior wall of the occupied primary residence". Inserting: "One mile (5280ft) from the turbine to any residence of a non-participating property owner, measured from the nearest exterior wall of the residence to the turbine. One half (1/2) mile (2640ft) from any property line of non-participating property owners." Seconded by Thorp.

After much debate there was an amendment by Weise to Amend Part B. to 3 times the Hight of the total system to from any primary residence of a non-participating property owner, measured from an exterior wall of the occupied primary residence. Admendment failed due to a lack of a second.

Hansmire moved to amend the main motion to strike "One mile (5280ft) from the turbine to any residence of a non-participating property owner" and insert "four (4) times the height of the total system measured from the nearest exterior wall of an occupied non-participating primary residence." Seconded by Weise. A roll call vote was taken; Fairley-no, Banahan-no, Thorp-no, Snyder-no, Weise-yes, Welsch-no, Hansmire-yes, Hahn-no, Livingston-no. Amendment failed.

Snyder moved to amend the main motion by replacing "1 mile, 5280ft" with nine (9) times the total system height. Seconded by Thorp. After much debate a roll call vote was taken; Fairley-no, Banahan-no, Thorp-yes, Snyder-yes, Weise-no, Hansmire-no, Hahn-no, Livingston-no. Amendment failed.

A roll call vote was taken on the main motion to strike Part B, and insert One mile (5280ft) from the turbine to any residence of a non-participating property owner, measured from the nearest exterior wall of the residence to the turbine. One half (1/2) mile (2640ft) from any property line of non-participating property owners. Votes; Fairley-yes, Banahan-yes, Thorp-yes, Snyder-yes, Weise-no, Welsch-no, Hansmire-no, Hahn-no, Livingston-yes. Motion passed.

Weise moved to leave part C unchanged. Seconded by Hahn. Part C. One and one-tenth (1.1) times the height of the total system from any occupied primary residence of a participating property owner,

measured from an exterior wall of the occupied primary residence. There was little debate. A roll call vote was taken; All were in favor. Motion passed.

Motion by Banahan to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Weise, motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned 9:32pm.

Respectfully submitted, Dustin Fairley Secretary.