

**Town of Bennington
Planning Commission**

Monday, March 7, 2016

5:00 p.m.

Town of Bennington Conference Room

205 South Street

Bennington, Vermont 05201

MINUTES

Members Present: Charles Copp, Barry Horst, Nick Lasoff, Michael McDonough, Ken Sweirad

Also Present: Dan Monks, Ric Carroll, Derek Moretz, Chad Nichols

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Review of Plan for Rt. 7 South Solar Array (across from Sheriff's Office): Derek Moretz from Encore Renewable Energy presented the plan for the proposed solar array. The Planning Commission and Ric Carroll asked several questions regarding the screening of the array from Route 7. Derek Moretz described the screening plan and the type of fencing that would be used around the perimeter of the array. The Planning Commission suggested the following: move the screening to the edge of the highway right of way to improve its effectiveness; the proposed fencing is appropriate for the rural setting of the project; cedar posts for the fencing are preferred.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Daniel W. Monks
Planning Director