



SOMERSET COUNTY
Board of Zoning Appeals MEETING MINUTES
March 15th, 2019

The following are the minutes of the Somerset County Board of Zoning Appeals meeting held on the 15th day of March, 2019 at 7:30PM in the meeting room of the Somerset County Commissioners, Room 111, in the Somerset County Office Complex, 11916 Somerset Avenue, Princess Anne, Maryland.

Board Members Present:

Chairman Brian Laird
Isaac Ballard
Paul Emley

Board Members Absent:

Donald Price
William Cottman
Andrew Baines

Others Present:

Gary R. Pusey, Director DTCS
Kristen M. Tremblay, Assistant Director DTCS
Robert Sperry, Zoning Administrator
Ashley Webster, Administrative Assistant

Chairman Laird Opened the Meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Subject of Appeal:

- (1) Special Exception SE-2019-2498

Flonium Power LLC of Fairfax, VA, has applied for a Special Exception on property owned by Ned and Eileen Dykes of Princess Anne, MD, for the placement of a solar array on a lot located on the north side of West Post Office Road, approximately two thousand fifty (2,050) feet west of Pete's Hill Road in the East Princess Anne Election District. The property can be located on Tax Map #11, Block #21, Parcel #27 and is zoned Agricultural-Residential (AR). Applicants are requesting a Special Exception to construct a ground mounted solar panel project on an 18.67 acre parcel. Section 7.8.b of the Somerset County Zoning Ordinance states if a use is not permitted by right or by Special Exception in any district under Section 5.2, the use is prohibited, except that the Board of Zoning Appeals may permit such use as a Special Exception, if applicant proves to the satisfaction of the Board that all required conditions referenced in this section can be met.

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Testimony:

The case advertisement was read into the record. The Board determined the exact location of the parcel. Sami Ayyorgun for Flonium Power LLC was sworn in. He stated his address was 4000 Legato Rd. Ste 100 Fairfax, VA 22033. Attorney Brynja Booth of Booth Booth Cropper & Marriner was sworn in. She state her address was 130 N. Washington St. Easton, MD 21601. Chris McCabe for Coastal Compliance Solutions was sworn in. He stated his address was P.O. Box 66 Fruitland, MD 21826. Brynja Booth asked that since the full board was not present, she advised her client to wait until the full board was present to hear the case. She asked Chairman Laird if the board would grant a continuance. Chairman Laird and the Board members agreed to grant a continuance for Friday April 5, 2019 at 7:30 P.M. Chairman Laird explained that the record would be kept open until April 5, 2019.

On a motion made by Chairman Laird and seconded by Mr. Ballard, the Board of Zoning Appeals voted to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,


Brian Laird, Chairman / AW