

## **South Hadley Fire District No. 2**

### **Elmer Brook Committee Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: Monday, August 27, 2018

Meeting Time Start: 5:00 pm

#### **-Attendance:**

Jim Menard, Frank Detoma, & Bill Selkirk

-Others present:

Mary Beth O'Meara

Meeting called to order by Jim Menard @ 5pm

Bill recommended that we invite Mark Aiken, water superintendent to the meeting as a courtesy to the Department. Jim said he will let Mark know when meetings are and that he is invited

#### **Solar Farm Update**

An open discussion was had about where to go from here about the solar farm. Jim recommended that we should send an email to Sean at SHELD about the formation of our committee, its members, and a request that we have a meeting with him to express our thoughts and have him answer any of our questions. Open dates that we agreed we could all make such meeting were Sept 4, or 5<sup>th</sup> during the day, at SHELD. Jim will send letter to Sean to set up the meeting, also noted the meeting will be posted once finalized.

Also we discussed the article 97 that is on the Elmer Brook Property, Jim noted that John Scibak had looked into similar situation in Sunderland and Umass' Solar farm on 97 property. Noted he was looking for the original document from the deed. Bill offered to look into the deed at Registry of Deeds Website and we will forward it to John S. At the same time we agreed to send John a email about our committee formation. Jim will send him that letter.

Mary Beth was recognized, expressed her feelings about the walk/bike committee walking about her land and accessing from the districts land. She also noted that she met with Paul from Kestrel Trust about purchasing a portion of her families land.

#### **Kestrel Trust Update:**

An open discussion was had about the options that Paul from Kestrel offered: basically to buy part or all of the land but that the District should figure out if the Solar was feasible first. We agreed to send out an email to Paul like that of Sean and John Scibak to let him know who we are and if he would like to come to a meeting

On another note, Logging the upper lot was discussed, at this time no recommendation was given

Next meeting Time: **September 12, 2018 At 5pm**

Adjourned: 5:50pm