Public Hearing April 25, 2017

At 7:00 p.m. Supervisor Carges called to order a public hearing located at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York on Tuesday, April 25, 2017. The Pledge to the Flag was recited. The purpose of the public hearing was to hear all persons for or against the adoption of an extension of the moratorium declared by Local Law 1 of 2016 on the construction of solar power farms and commercial solar power projects in the Town of Sweden.

Town Board Members present were Supervisor Robert Carges, Councilperson Robert Muesebeck, Councilperson Mary Rich and Councilperson Lori Skoog. Also present were Finance Director Leisa Strabel, Town Attorney Jim Bell, Superintendent of Highways Brian Ingraham and Town Clerk Karen Sweeting.

Visitors present were Deputy Village Mayor Bill Andrews, Joan Hamlin, Chris Hamlin, William Johnson, Dottie and Charlie Scott, Don Grentzinger, Norm Isler, Susan Smith, Pat and Bill Leonard, B.J. Maier, Gretchen Pennington, Randy Spurr, Don Pophal, Matthew Roberts, Robert Cantwell from BME Associates and Rick Kartes of Stonehaven Development.

Supervisor Carges asked Town Clerk Karen Sweeting to read the legal notice published in the Town newspaper. Notice was read.

Mr. Carges briefly explained that the current moratorium adopted by Local Law 1 of 2016 will expire on May 22, 2017. The Solar Committee and the Town Attorney agree that more time is necessary to complete a draft local law for solar power farms/commercial solar power projects.

Resident Bill Leonard asked if there were any benefits to the Town in doing so. Supervisor Carges explained that the solar committee needs more time to draft the law and that many towns in New York State are going through the same process. The Town is looking to get regulations in place to protect the property owners.

No other comments.

Supervisor Carges closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting Town Clerk