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MINUTES OF THE MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING - WORKSESSION Legal – October 17, 2018

PRESENT: Kevin Federico, Chairman

Gary Daniels, Vice Chairman Mike Putnam, Member Laura Dudziak, Member Paul Dargie, Member

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1. NON-PUBLIC SESSION. Selectman Dargie moved to enter into non-public session at 8:05 p.m. in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (e) Legal. Selectman Dudziak seconded. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

(RSA 91-A:3, II(e)) MACC Base Inter-Municipal Agreement -

Chairman Federico said he disagrees with most of what they're proposing. He's not willing to give up voting rights or stipulate to 90% of the conditions in the contract. He doesn't think it's appropriate for the Town of Milford. He would like to have Selectman Putnam bring it back to the Board of Governors and ask them to try again. He would also like to have the Town Administrator draft a letter stating that the Town of Milford is interested in a two-year extension of the current contract only.

Selectman Dargie and Selectman Dudziak support the two-year extension on the current contract. Chairman Federico said they are asking for stipulations that basically say, we will roll over on every turn.

Selectman Putnam was okay with what was written. He feels that Chairman Federico's mind is made up and he will use everything he can persuade it, including dissing the contract. We addressed the Town's problems and the Towns of Wilton and Mont Vernon are good with it. He thinks it was fair. Chairman Federico asked if Selectman Putnam read the same contract that he has. Selectman Putnam said he wrote it.

Chairman Federico said we need to do something before December 1st. He made a motion to reject the contract and suggest to the Board of Governors that we would be willing to sign a two-year extension of the current existing contract. Selectman Dargie seconded for discussion. Selectman Daniels said he didn't have a chance to review the contract. Selectman Putnam said the changes were highlighted. There was some conversation for clarification of a written request for extension or verbal. Chairman Federico said written would be better.

Chairman Federico said he doesn't agree with giving up voting grounds that we have right now or the \$10,000 stipulation on any non-budgeted item. He isn't interested in re-writing the contract which is why he made the motion. If we decide to stay with MACC Base we can start re-working from there. Selectman Putnam said he's getting to the point where he really can't argue it anymore. He's having some health problems and can't focus on this right now.

Selectman Daniels asked what our voting policy is now for MACC Base? Selectman Putnam said they get two votes on anything financial. Selectman Daniels asked Chairman Federico why he thinks we are losing the vote in the new contract. Selectman Dudziak said we currently have two votes on everything, operational and financial. Chairman Federico said with the new contract we get two votes on everything financial but only one vote on anything operational.

Chairman Federico suggests postponing any vote until after Selectman Putnam is feeling better. Selectman Daniels agrees with putting it off until the next time we meet. In all fairness, if we want Selectman Putnam to go back to the Board of Governors then we need to give him direction on the things that we see is wrong with the contract. We could also talk about what could be changed to what Selectman Putnam said maybe we should ask for a two-year extension and hope they agree with it. Selectman Daniels said he would rather wait two weeks to make that decision. Chairman Federico withdrew his motion. Selectman Dargie said the next Board of Governors meeting is November 14th so we need to give direction before then. Selectman Putnam said they don't need an answer, what they are looking for is a solution. The other towns are okay with it and we are not. We need to go back and if we are not going to start our own, find a contract that's good for all three towns. If we're going to go on our own, we don't have to worry about a new contract if we get a two-year extension on the old one. We will have to hustle to get the new system setup and he doesn't think it can be done in two years.

Selectman Daniels asked if we are meeting on the 29th. Administrator Bender said the 22nd and the 29th. Chairman Federico made a motion to table the MACC Base Inter-Municipal Agreement discussion until the 5th Monday Forum on Octo-

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ber 29th. Administrator Bender asked if they wanted to schedule a non-public prior to the forum. Chairman Federico said ves.

Letter Intent – Granite Apollo, LLC – Administrator Bender has a letter of Intent from Granite Apollo to develop a Solar Farm in the BROX Industrial Land. They would like to lease all 119.62 acres for 25 years with a renewal. They would start at \$1,000 per acre for five years and go up to \$1,300 per acre including wetlands. This is a good deal to include a PILOT. Selectman Dudziak asked if it was the company that came in before. Administrator Bender said no. It's a New Hampshire based company located in Manchester. They are developing three other Municipal sites. They won't operate the solar farm if and when it gets developed, they will sell it to an operator. Who knows where the power will go, it could eventually stay in New Hampshire but for now, it may end up in Massachusetts or Connecticut. They will pay us \$2,500 for the option for the land. They are willing to come in to do a brief presentation on Monday the 22nd. Chairman Federico said having them in at a public meeting would be good.

Selectman Putnam asked if we are willing to tie that property up for the next 25 year even though nothing has come along in the last 25 years. Chairman Federico said if they are going to lease it for a Solar Farm for 25 years it means we will start putting revenue in and that's a good thing. Selectman Putnam, he's okay with this. Administrator Bender said he talked to Tom Lorden who is interested in talking to them and they like the idea because they can expand it. They think they can put 16 megawatz on our property and if they do his land, they may get it up to 20 or 25 megawatz. For us, at \$1,000 that's \$119,000 per year times 25 years is more than we paid for the property plus the money we are getting for the Sand and Gravel. Selectman Daniels asked if it would affect the Sand and Gravel. Administrator Bender said no. Selectman Dargie asked if we still own the property after 25 years. Administrator Bender said yes and there is also a decommissioning clause so if they abandon it after 25 years they will take their stuff out.

2. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before this Meeting, Selectman Putnam moved to come out of non-public at 8:35 p.m. Selectman Dudziak seconded. All were in favor. The motion passed 5/0.

Kevin Federico, Chairman

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