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PUBLIC HEARING
 YATES TOWN BOARD
 RE: DISCUSSION OF THE ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2018
 KNOWN AS A LOCAL LAW AMENDING SECTION 591
 (WIND ENERGY FACILITIES LAW)
 OF THE ZONING REGULATIONS

Transcript of Public Hearing held at the Yates
 Town Hall, 8 South Main Street, Lyndonville, New York
 14098, on Monday, January 8, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.,
 Pursuant to Notice.

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APPEARANCES:

YATES TOWN BOARD:

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JOHN RIGGI, COUNCILMAN

HAROLD SUHR, COUNCILMAN

JAMES WHIPPLE, COUNCILMAN

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12	Cynthia Hellert	Betty Wolanyk
13	Anne Smith	Michael & Faith Basil
14	Chris Bronson	
15	Steve Royce	
16	Jim Bansbach	
17	Pam Shirback	
18	Howard Pierce	
19	Becky Winters	
20	Bob & Agnes LaPorte	
21	Taylor Quarles	
22	Pat Bridge	
23	Chris Crafts	
24	Pam Atwater	
25	Donn Riggi	

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2 SUPERVISOR SIMON: This is a Public
3 Hearing that will be officially transcribed
4 by a stenographer. The transcription of the
5 minutes will be made available upon
6 completion.

7 This is regarding the Local Law Number
8 1 of 2018, known as a Local Law Amending
9 Section 591 of the Wind Energies Facility
10 Law and this is for the Town of Yates. We
11 will clock it open at 6:00 o'clock.

12 We published this Public Notice in the
13 Batavia Daily News on December 20th. It's
14 also been posted on the website and, of
15 course, on the bulletin board.

16 So the purpose of the Public Hearing is
17 to discuss the amendments that have been
18 proposed. Hopefully, everyone has had a
19 chance to take look at those.

20 We'd ask, for the stenographer's sake,
21 that when you speak, that you stand and
22 speak clearly your name and where you are
23 from. And once we know we've got that, then
24 you can press on with your comments.

25 If you have more than three minutes,

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2 our time keeper will try to give you the
3 that's it and I'll try to give you the
4 that's it and then you can give us whatever
5 else you have in writing perhaps if you
6 didn't finish your comments. We do ask that
7 you keep your comments to three minutes.

8 We ask also that you address your
9 comments to the Board, for those of us who
10 will be making the decisions about the
11 amendments. And also, that your comments
12 are associated with the amendments
13 themselves. So we have them posted. Those
14 are the comments we are looking for, is what
15 do you think about the proposed amendments,
16 not necessarily about any proposed projects
17 even. So it's really focused on the
18 amendments and what those do or don't do in
19 your opinion and what type of suggestions
20 you want to give us.

21 The Board will not answer any questions
22 tonight. This isn't a give and take. If we
23 do have a question for clarification, we
24 just may ask, can you explain that, or if we
25 didn't hear it or the stenographer needs you

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2 to repeat something. We might ask you
3 questions, but we're not going to be
4 answering any questions.

5 I will say that after this meeting,
6 after a short break, we're going to have our
7 workshop and the workshop is open to the
8 public. Again, the workshop is not
9 something where we interact with the public,
10 but you're certainly welcome to stay for
11 that.

12 I think that's it. Anything else to
13 add? Anyone? No.

14 So we're officially opened and I guess
15 we will start with the public comment
16 period. Who would like to go first? Go
17 ahead.

18 MS. ATWATER: Pam Atwater, Carmen
19 Road, Barker, within the project area. I
20 will give you a copy of what I'm going to
21 share here. On behalf of Save Ontario
22 Shores, I'd like to thank you for the work
23 you've undertaken to draft the revisions to
24 the Yates Town Law in response to the latest
25 information about health, safety and

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2 environmental impacts of industrial wind
3 turbines.

4 We have been closely following several
5 other New York State Industrial Wind Turbine
6 Article 10 proceedings and our attorney,
7 Gary Abraham, attended the Cassadaga Wind
8 Project Article 10 hearing as counsel for
9 the Cassadaga Citizens' Group and has worked
10 extensively with expert, Richard James, on
11 the issue of noise. So these comments are
12 relating to things that he has seen with
13 other projects and his knowledge in the
14 area.

15 We are very supportive of the changes
16 and just request that you might consider
17 some other requirements or clarifications.
18 Noise, established 35 dBA inside as an
19 additional standard. Again, I'll give you a
20 copy of this. Right now, it's the Town
21 setting at 39 as outside. The World Health
22 Organization has an additional indoor
23 recommendation to protect communities. So
24 we'd like to see that considered.

25 Establishing a penalty for tonality,

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2 pulsating sound and low frequency sound
3 because not all sound is the same and some
4 sound has a higher level of annoyance than
5 others. High levels of tonality are
6 particularly disturbing to some people. The
7 penalty is actually a reduction in sound
8 levels, not a monetary penalty.

9 Prescribe a ground attenuation factor
10 of zero for high noise sources. I know the
11 Vermont standard does not apply to noise
12 sources greater in height than 30 meters,
13 which is 98 feet. So that might be
14 something to consider.

15 And also model input to account for the
16 large number of turbines in this project
17 versus in the Vermont standard, the model
18 input addresses impacts of a single turbine.

19 We also assert that we'd like not to
20 see any distinguishing characteristics
21 between participants versus nonparticipants.
22 That all people should be considered the
23 same in health regulations.

24 And lastly, we know the importance of
25 the shoreline in terms of bird, bat and

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2 raptor migration. It's been studied and
3 reported upon by the Nature Conservancy and
4 the Genesee Valley Audubon did a Migratory
5 Bird Stopover Project in 2012. So we
6 strongly support the Town's proposed three
7 mile setback from the shoreline. Thank you
8 very much.

9 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you, Pam.

10 MS. ATWATER: You're welcome.

11 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Who would like to
12 go next? Okay.

13 MR. BANSBACH: Jim Bansbach, Smythe
14 Lane, Town of Yates. As a year-round
15 resident of the Town of Yates, I'm greatly
16 concerned about living close to an
17 industrial wind turbine project. I taught
18 Science, primarily high school Chemistry for
19 over 36 years and the similarities between
20 radioactivity and infrasound are striking to
21 me.

22 Both energy forms are undetectable by
23 humans and can only be detected by
24 sophisticated equipment. My house will
25 actually vibrate at 8 Hertz as we had

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2 background infrasound testing done inside
3 our house during the fall of 2015 for almost
4 two weeks.

5 Both can have severe impacts on human
6 health especially after long-term exposure.
7 Damage can be done before a person is even
8 aware of being exposed.

9 Infrasound may, and I emphasize may,
10 because they don't know for certain, may
11 have been used to attack U. S. Embassy
12 employees in Cuba.

13 Both are safest when they are kept far
14 away from humans.

15 Many of the scientists who first worked
16 with radioactivity in the late eighteen
17 hundreds and early nineteen hundreds died
18 from radiation sickness as radioactivity
19 wasn't thought to be harmful at the time.

20 Many people, who live near industrial
21 wind projects, are reporting health issues
22 they never had prior to the operation of the
23 project. How infrasound affects humans is
24 just now beginning to be studied and
25 understood.

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2 So in addition to concerns about
3 wildlife, noise, flicker effect and flashing
4 red lights at night, like the ones I
5 sometimes see 30 miles away in southern
6 Ontario, infrasound has me convinced that
7 industrial wind turbines should be located
8 at extreme distances from where people live.

9 I would like to thank the Board for
10 considering amending the current wind laws
11 and I am in full support of you doing just
12 that. Thank you.

13 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you. Next.

14 MS. HELLERT: Cynthia Hellert, Yates.
15 I, too, am making comments on noise and I am
16 reading directly from the World Health
17 Organization website regarding noise.
18 Excessive noise seriously harms human health
19 and interferes with people's daily
20 activities at school, at work, at home and
21 during leisure time. It can disturb sleep,
22 cause cardiovascular and psychophysiological
23 effects, reduce performance and provoke
24 annoyance responses and changes in social
25 behavior. Again, right from the website.

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2 The World Health Organization has
3 included warnings about the adverse effects
4 of infra and low frequency sound since the
5 early 1990's in their noise guidelines.
6 Attempts to assess low frequency noise by
7 conventional wide-band noise methods often
8 fail. In particular, the regulatory
9 dominance A-weighted levels leads to
10 dismissal of valid problems of low frequency
11 noise.

12 The World Health Organization
13 recognizes the special place of low
14 frequency noise as an environmental problem.
15 When prominent low frequency components are
16 present, noise measures based on A-weighting
17 are inappropriate. Since A-weighting
18 underestimates the sound pressure level of
19 noise with low frequency components, a
20 better assessment of health effects would be
21 to use C-weighting. For noise with a large
22 proportion of low frequency sounds, a still
23 lower guideline than the 30 dBA is
24 recommended.

25 The wind industry wants to downplay

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2 problems associated with low frequency noise
3 and infrasound because they have no solution
4 other than to increase the setbacks or turn
5 them off.

6 I ask that the amendment be much more
7 protective than merely dropping the decibel
8 level by one. Under 30 dBA for nighttime
9 noise is warranted, but I encourage you to
10 include C-weighted values as well.

11 More evidence is included in my written
12 statement and I'm also going to submit to
13 you a paper that shows 75 documented
14 setbacks for wind turbines around the world
15 ranging from 1.24 miles to 6.2 miles. Thank
16 you.

17 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you. Next.

18 MRS. RIGGI: Donn Riggi, Lakeshore
19 Road, Lyndonville.

20 I'd like to thank the Board for
21 updating this law to better ensure that our
22 health and welfare are protected as much as
23 possible should this project or any project
24 be forced on our community. I especially
25 appreciate the research and references that

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2 are included. These references clearly show
3 that these setbacks and noise limitations
4 are more than reasonable.

5 I urge every Board Member to approve
6 this update or possibly improve it to our
7 law. Protecting your community and
8 constituents requires it. Thank you.

9 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you. Next,
10 in the back, Paul.

11 MR. LAURICELLA: Paul Lauricella,
12 Yates. I'm not a fan of more regulation,
13 but I also have vowed to fight Agenda 21 and
14 the less radical green agenda based on
15 fear-mongering and junk science.

16 I agree with the proposals put forth by
17 the Board and would like to see this passed.
18 The Wind and Solar push is a scam to
19 redistribute wealth and punish the American
20 way of life.

21 I am in support of this. Thank God we
22 have President Trump standing in the way of
23 this for now.

24 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you, Paul.
25 Next.

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2 MS. EVANS: Kathy Evans, Lakeshore,
3 Gaines. I commend the Town Board on their
4 very thoroughly researched proposed changes
5 to the Town's Green Energy Facilities Law.
6 I agree with complying with the three mile
7 setback from the Lake Ontario shoreline as
8 recommended by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife
9 Service to protect migrating birds and I
10 wish the setback and the noise limits were
11 even more stringent.

12 Thank you for preserving our health and
13 the quality of life in our Town. Please
14 approve these zoning changes.

15 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you. Next.

16 MS. STOCKMAN: Georgette Stockman,
17 10742 West Lakeshore Road.

18 In October of 2017, the New York Power
19 Authority and the Canal Corporation held a
20 meeting in Medina about removing trees along
21 the Erie Canal with the intention of
22 creating a park-like grassy area to prevent
23 potential flooding. They immediately
24 proceeded to cut down every tree along the
25 canal destroying bird habitat, shade for

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2 walkers and runners, and creating a
3 potential wind tunnel.

4 Although the intention is to cut down
5 every tree that is not on private property
6 along the entire canal, the NYPA and the
7 Canal Corporation have already begun to
8 negotiate with other communities, as a story
9 in the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle
10 reported on December 19th, and they have
11 delayed any further cutting. They started
12 here in Orleans County and those trees are
13 gone for good.

14 The reason why I mention this is
15 perhaps obvious, that Orleans County is seen
16 as a place where a corporation can do what
17 it pleases. We need the strongest possible
18 laws in place to protect the shore of Lake
19 Ontario and the community of Yates. Thank
20 you.

21 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you. Next,
22 Betty.

23 MS. BETTY WOLANYK: Betty Wolanyk,
24 Town of Somerset. Thank you for allowing me
25 to speak.

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2 I would like to express my appreciation
3 to the Town Board of Yates for proposing
4 stricter zoning regulations for wind and to
5 thank you for the time and effort it took to
6 review what's happening around the world.

7 This is a really good comprehensive
8 listing of what others have found. I think
9 it's really important that we learn what
10 people are finding out across the globe so
11 that we don't have people in this community
12 abandoning their homes as we have in other
13 places because they can't sleep at night,
14 because their children can't focus on their
15 school work, because they have students with
16 ADHD and it's gotten progressively worse.

17 So I support these changes and I
18 commend you for looking out for the welfare
19 of all the people that live in this
20 community as well as the Town of Somerset.
21 Thank you.

22 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you. Next.

23 MS. ANNE SMITH: Anne Smith, 11081
24 Lakeshore Road. I've spoke at many of these
25 town meetings before and I think every one

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2 for the last three years regarding these
3 industrial wind turbines and so you know
4 that I am totally against the project.

5 I'd like to thank the Board for
6 beginning the process of amending the Wind
7 Energy Law. I don't think these turbines
8 should be placed anywhere near humans. It's
9 a fact, even though the wind company won't
10 admit it, that the cause of health issues
11 for thousands of people in close proximity
12 have complained of nausea, dizziness,
13 headaches, increased blood pressure and
14 sleep deprivation.

15 The Federal government has stated that
16 sleep deprivation is a form of torture. Why
17 would we torture the people of this
18 community?

19 Birds, hundreds of thousands migrate to
20 this area in the spring and fall. Eagles,
21 hawks, short-eared owls, snow birds,
22 thousands of song birds, they would be
23 slaughtered. This is such a beautiful
24 community, lakeside village. I can't
25 imagine why anybody would want to cause this

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2 destruction to this community. Thank you.

3 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you. Next.
4 All right.

5 MS. LAPORTE: Agnes LaPorte, Town of
6 Somerset, three miles off the Yates border.
7 If not properly sited, operated and
8 regulated, renewable energy especially wind
9 turbines can be very harmful to wildlife,
10 natural habitats, humans and animals. The
11 only safe way is to build them far away from
12 the large concentration of birds and bats,
13 and of course, far away from people. Wind
14 energy must be regulated more efficiently.

15 I believe that five miles from the
16 Great Lakes and five miles from houses
17 especially in a flat terrain such as Yates
18 would be possible. And I thank you for
19 protecting the citizens and our community.

20 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you. Next.

21 MR. PIERCE: I've got all the symptoms
22 and the windmills aren't even here yet.
23 Howard Pierce, Lyndonville.

24 Public Hearing is adoption of the law
25 we all know. The first wind law in the Town

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2 of Yates was written by committee in six
3 months in 2008.

4 In 2016, one of the first things
5 Mr. Simon did as Supervisor was to appoint a
6 committee to rewrite the Wind Law of 2008.
7 I was a member of that committee. It took
8 us -- we were told we had two Saturdays to
9 do this. After reviewing my notes, I
10 noticed that the setbacks in the final law
11 were much greater than the committee had
12 recommended.

13 This brings us to 2018, where the Board
14 wants to increase the setbacks even more.
15 As a constituent, I have several unanswered
16 questions.

17 Number one, what are the justifications
18 of these new setbacks?

19 Number two, who wrote this new law or
20 are we just copying Somerset?

21 Number three, was our Town Wind
22 Attorney, Mr. Dan Spitzer, consulted on the
23 new law?

24 Number four, was this new law submitted
25 to the Town Planning Board?

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2 Number five, was the new law submitted
3 to the County Planning Board?

4 I think that a law of this magnitude
5 should be done by committee, not a chosen
6 few. If this Board thinks that the Law of
7 2016 needs to be amended, then I suggest
8 that you appoint a committee and get
9 started. I would hope that a committee or
10 this Board would use scientific information
11 that hasn't been cherry-picked to produce a
12 new law that isn't unduly burdensome. Thank
13 you.

14 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you, Howard.
15 Next.

16 MR. QUARLES: Taylor Quarles,
17 representing the Lighthouse Wind Project.
18 We've, of course, been appearing in front of
19 this Board for several years now and have
20 submitted comments previously especially in
21 2016 regarding the local law change then.
22 And encourage the Board to refer back to the
23 comments we made at that point as well as
24 the comments we submit tonight. I'll
25 furnish a copy of our 2016 comments just in

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2 case though.

3 So Yates is a Board which imposes
4 zoning, has the responsibility to protect
5 the landowners' rights. Because any zoning
6 laws inherently are taking away of a right
7 and it should be justified by appropriately
8 researched, very thoroughly researched
9 provisions of a proposed law, which are
10 based on peer viewed scientific data and
11 proven technical justification for a
12 specific provision such as a setback from
13 the Great Lakes of three miles or the half
14 mile setback from any other property line,
15 residence, et cetera.

16 There are over 50,000 wind turbines in
17 the country. There's well over 20 wind
18 farms in New York. Many of these have been
19 operational for over ten years. The
20 projects in New York are by and large well
21 received and many of these communities have
22 asked for additional projects. Of course,
23 we're working under a very thorough system
24 of project approval in New York, one which
25 is accompanied by a very cohesive process of

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2 working with the state agencies to ensure
3 that the appropriate information is
4 considered in siting and zoning of these
5 projects.

6 So I think my comments tonight
7 generally are that I would encourage the
8 Board to take their time and ensure that the
9 provisions of the law are supported by
10 scientific evidence and not rushed through a
11 process which in the past has taken a much
12 greater amount of time. I'll submit some
13 written comments that are the 2016 comments
14 and then some comments from tonight.

15 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you, Taylor.

16 MR. SUHR: Am I allowed to ask
17 questions?

18 SUPERVISOR SIMON: For clarification.

19 MR. SUHR: Do you live in this county?

20 MR. QUARLES: No.

21 MR. SUHR: Do you plan on moving here
22 if they put the windmills up?

23 MR. QUARLES: No.

24 MR. SUHR: Are you being paid to be at
25 this meeting today?

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2 MR. QUARLES: As I said, I'm a
3 representative of the project.

4 MR. SUHR: That means they pay you,
5 right?

6 MR. QUARLES: That's my job.

7 MR. SUHR: Okay. Thank you.

8 MR. QUARLES: Of course.

9 MS. PAULA SIMON: Paula Simon, I live
10 on Millers Road in Yates. And I think that
11 where we live is about three miles from the
12 lake.

13 So with all due respect, so many who
14 are saying three miles is enough, I'd like
15 to just comment on U. S. Fish and Wildlife
16 -- no, on the Nature Conservancy study that
17 was done in 2011 in conjunction with the
18 Michigan State University. The name of the
19 study is the Wind Energy: Great Lakes
20 Regional Guidelines. So it was not just for
21 Lake Ontario. It was for all of the Great
22 Lakes. It offers specific guidelines for
23 the placement of industrial wind turbines.
24 And they do this to minimize the impacts on
25 species, communities and ecological systems.

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2 On page 28 of that study, it states
3 that we recommend the following guidelines
4 to protect biodiversity in ecosystem
5 processes in the Great Lakes Coastal Zones
6 including all the shorelines including the
7 main land and island shorelines. And they
8 recommend that wind energy development be
9 avoided within five miles from the coast
10 line. So I hope that the Board will take
11 into account what U. S. Fish and Wildlife
12 has sought already about three miles but
13 possibly looking into other studies.

14 I realize that you have done a lot of
15 research in looking for scientific data that
16 has been produced consistently over the
17 years. And I'm hoping that, you know,
18 you'll continue to look at all these studies
19 including this one that says five miles is
20 really a good setback from the shoreline.
21 Thank you.

22 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you. Next,
23 Mike.

24 MR. BASIL: Mike Basil, from
25 Lyndonville. I want to thank the Board for

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2 their efforts. It just seems that, you
3 know, the term overly burdensome was used
4 already. You guys are coming to our defense
5 in protecting us. The burden has been on
6 the people, not on the company.

7 Every time we go to get information, we
8 get shut down. We have to do our own
9 research on shadow distances, on flicker,
10 damage to the environment, the damage to the
11 wildlife, property values and the damage to
12 humans. The burden has been on us for the
13 last three years. And we keep doing the
14 research that our friends at Apex, who keep
15 claiming how transparent they are, refuse to
16 give us.

17 We have discussed that there are no
18 sound measurements for any of these new
19 turbines. Yet we don't even know what size
20 turbines we are getting. They have let us
21 fall into these parameters of setbacks that
22 they know are wrong. And yet they won't
23 come clean and tell us about their previous
24 experiences in previous projects that will
25 help us make a decision.

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2 So my two cents is, the burden has been
3 on us. And I commend you guys for doing the
4 research because all around the world the
5 information that you are gathering makes us
6 feel safer because you are taking action.
7 Thank you.

8 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Thank you. Next?
9 All right. Another second there? Anyone
10 else? Thank you, everybody.

11 Resolution Number 1, in 2018, is
12 Resolution to Close the Public Hearing on
13 the Town of Yates Local Law Number 1 of
14 2018, known as Local Law Amending Section
15 591, Wind Energy Facilities Law. And do I
16 have a motion?

17 MR. RIGGI: Moved.

18 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Moved. Do I have a
19 second?

20 MR. SUHR: Second.

21 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Second. Any
22 discussion? Okay. All in favor say aye?

23 MR. RIGGI: Aye.

24 MR. WHIPPLE: Aye.

25 MR. SUHR: Aye.

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2 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Aye. Unopposed?
3 Motion passed. So the Public Hearing is
4 closed at 6:30. I want to thank everyone
5 for attending. I remind you that this
6 process is ongoing.

7 Couple things, one is the Town Planning
8 Board had a good session the other night. I
9 presented information to them. They asked
10 some good questions. I provided them
11 follow-up answers.

12 We're also going to be presenting these
13 amendments maybe as they are or maybe
14 amended even further to the County Planning
15 Board before we make any final decisions on
16 the final changes that we will make. And
17 that will be a process that unfolds. As you
18 may know, the County Planning Board doesn't
19 meet until the last Thursday of the month.
20 So we've got a little bit of time, but
21 that's the process. If you have any
22 questions, please don't hesitate to let me
23 know.

24 People have been sending a lot of
25 information to us via email. We appreciate

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2 that. We've received several dozen emails
3 with lots of good information, attachments.
4 We will incorporate all of that into our
5 decision.

6 Also, while the Public Hearing is
7 closed, if someone was not able to attend
8 and they want to send us information, we
9 will certainly listen. It wouldn't be part
10 of the public record, but it will certainly
11 be something we'd listen to. I guess that's
12 it.

13 Just to let you know, we'll be around
14 for a workshop after we take a quick break.
15 So I'll have a motion for adjournment?

16 MR. RIGGI: Moved.

17 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Moved. Second?

18 MR. SUHR: Second.

19 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Any discussion?

20 All in favor say aye?

21 MR. WHIPPLE: Aye.

22 MR. RIGGI: Aye.

23 MR. SUHR: Aye.

24 SUPERVISOR SIMON: Aye. Okay. This
25 is adjourned. The Public Hearing has ended.

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Thank you so much for coming. Have a great
night.

(Proceedings concluded.)

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, DOREEN M. SHARICK, do hereby certify that I have reported in stenotype shorthand the proceedings in the Public Hearing before the Yates Town Board, at 8 South Main Street, Lyndonville, New York 14098, on Monday, January 8, 2018.

That the transcript herewith is a true, accurate and complete record of my stenotype notes.

-----*Doreen M. Sharick*-----

Doreen M. Sharick,

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