

RESOLUTION

March 15, 2022
Resolution No. 167-22

RE: A RESOLUTION TO SET DATE, TIME, AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING DECLARING PORTIONS OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF HANCOCK COUNTY, OHIO TO BE RESTRICTED, PROHIBITING CONSTRUCTION OF ECONOMICALLY SIGNIFICANT WIND FARMS, LARGE WIND FARMS, AND LARGE SOLAR FACILITIES PURSUANT TO R.C. 303.57, *et. seq.*

The Board of County Commissioners, Hancock County, Ohio met in regular session on the 15th day of March, 2022, with the following Commissioners present:

Michael W. Pepple, William L. Bateson, and Timothy K. Bechtol.

The Clerk advised that the Board followed the notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto for the meeting.

Bateson

moved for adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly adopted Senate Bill 52 (hereinafter "SB 52") which provides for more localized regulation of large utility facilities, defined as economically significant wind farms, which are defined in R.C. 4906.13; large wind farms; and solar facilities, which are defined in R.C. 4906.01 (hereinafter collectively referred to as "large utility facilities"); and

WHEREAS, SB 52 went into effect October 11, 2021 and is now designated as R.C. 303.57, *et. seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the County Boards of Commissioners have been vested with the authority to regulate Large Utility Facilities by way of designating all or part of the unincorporated areas of a County as restricted, prohibiting the construction of said Large Utility Facilities within said restricted areas; and

WHEREAS, the Board has created a map, attached hereto, indicating the proposed restricted areas within the unincorporated areas of Hancock County, Ohio, as required by R.C. 303.58; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.C. 303.58, the Board must hold a public meeting to consider a resolution designating restricted areas within the unincorporated areas of Hancock County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to set the date, time, and place for said meeting, and further complying with all requirements of R.C. 303.57, *et. seq.* and specifically the notice requirements of R.C. 303.58.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, HANCOCK COUNTY, OHIO, that a public meeting shall be set for April 19, 2022 at 2:30 PM, at the Hancock County Commissioners 1st Floor Conference Room 514 S. Main St., Findlay, Hancock County, OH, pursuant to R.C. 303.58 in order to consider a resolution to designate restricted areas within the unincorporated areas of Hancock County, Ohio; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the map to be considered shall be posted at all public libraries within Hancock County, Ohio at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that public notice of the date and time of the meeting be posted once in a newspaper of general circulation within the County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting, the Board shall provide written notice of the meeting, by first class mail to all school districts, municipal corporations, and board of township trustees located in whole, or in part, within the boundaries of the proposed restricted areas; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Board of Commissioners, Hancock County, Ohio relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

Pepple seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Board of Hancock County Commissioners

Michael W. Pepple yes
Michael W. Pepple, President

William L. Bateson yes
William L. Bateson, Vice-President

Timothy K. Bechtol no
Timothy K. Bechtol, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Christine Carrigan
~~Lynn Taylor, Clerk~~ Christine Carrigan, Asst. Clerk
Board of Hancock County Commissioners
DATE: March 15, 2022

Notice of the Board of Hancock County Commissioners.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Hancock County Commissioners will consider the following resolution at its regular meeting scheduled for April 19, 2022 at 2:30 pm at the Hancock County Commissioners 1st Floor Conference Room 514 S. Main St., Findlay, Hancock County, OH:

A RESOLUTION DECLARING PORTIONS OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF HANCOCK COUNTY, OHIO TO BE RESTRICTED, PROHIBITING CONSTRUCTION OF ECONOMICALLY SIGNIFICANT WIND FARMS, LARGE WIND FARMS, AND LARGE SOLAR FACILITIES PURSUANT TO O.R.C. 303.57, *et. seq*

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