



**Village of Cambridge
ENERGY SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDA
Amundson Community Center, 200 Spring St
Community Room
Monday, May 24, 2021 5:00 p.m.**

Agenda

- 1. Call to order/Roll Call**
- 2. Proof of Posting**
- 3. Public Comment**
- 4. Approval of Minutes from May 4, 2021**
- 5. Appointment of Public Member to Subcommittee**
- 6. Intervener Letter**
- 7. Convene into Closed Session** per Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session: Proposed Solar Project
- 8. Reconvene into open session**
- 9. Possible Action Taken on Closed Session Items**
- 10. Set next meeting date**
- 11. Questions, Referrals to Staff or Future Agenda Items**
- 12. Adjournment**

Persons needing special accommodations should call 423-3712 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

A quorum of the Village Board will attend this meeting for the purpose of gathering information relevant to their responsibilities as Village Trustees.

Recommendation by the subcommittee will be made to be acted upon by the Village Board at a regular meeting.

More specific information about agenda items may be obtained by calling 423-371.

Lisa Moen, Village Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator



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Tuesday, May 4, 2021 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. **Call to order/Roll Call:** Trustee Rose called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Members present: Trustees McNally, Kumbier (by telephone), Rose and Milsap. Others present: Lisa Moen, Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer; Barb Goeckner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Administrator.
2. **Proof of Posting:** The Agenda was posted in the upper and lower levels of the Amundson Community Center, Cambridge Post Office, Hometown Bank and the village website.
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Approval of Minutes from March 31, 2021:** McNally made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Milsap. Motion carried.
5. **Convene into Closed Session** per Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session: Proposed Solar Project: *Trustee McNally made a motion to enter into closed session per Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session: Proposed Solar Project, seconded by Milsap. Motion carried on a 4-0 vote.*
6. **Reconvene into open session:** *McNally made a motion to reconvene into open session, seconded by Kumbier. Motion carried on a 4-0 vote.*
7. **Possible Action Taken on Closed Session Items :** *McNally made a motion to recommend to the Village Board to fill the 5th position on the subcommittee with a representative from the Cambridge Schools/School Board, seconded by Milsap. Motion carried.*
8. **Set next meeting date:** We will meet again in a few weeks. No date set.
9. **Adjournment:** McNally made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kumbier. Motion carried. Rose adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

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**BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN**

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and
Necessity of Koshkonong Solar Energy Center LLC to
Construct a Solar Electric Generation Facility in the
Town of Christiana and the Town of Deerfield, Dane
County, Wisconsin

9811-CE-100

**VILLAGE OF CAMBRIDGE, DANE COUNTY, WI
REQUEST TO INTERVENE AND NOTICE OF APPEARANCE**

Pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.21, the **VILLAGE OF CAMBRIDGE** hereby files this request to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding.

I. Some of our Interests in this Proceeding are:

- A. Our municipality acts in the substantial, financial interests of residential and commercial electric customers of Alliant Energy (Wisconsin Power & Light) who could assume a portion, or all of the costs associated with new utility infrastructure at a later date. Through the additions of the Paddock-Rockdale and Rockdale-West Middleton 345 kV transmission lines and the Rockgen Power Plant, our municipality has directly experienced the tendency of utility expansions to invite more expansion. According to the MISO interconnection queue on January 21, 2021 and the engineering plan for this docket our immediate area is being evaluated for another 345 kV expansion transmission line and 300MW as part of the Koshkonong Solar Energy Center.
- B. To date, our Village has not been able to acquire the sufficient information we require in order to evaluate the stature and impacts of the proposed Koshkonong Solar Energy Center.
- C. Our municipality has an obligation to preserve both the health and the appearance of the natural assets surrounding our community because they underpin our ability to survive and grow. Key to this is tourism and the attraction of new residents and businesses into our area with economic benefits.
- D. In response to financial and environmental priorities, residents and businesses within Village jurisdiction are developing conservation practices, making energy improvements and are increasingly adding locally owned solar resources. To improve efficiency the Village has made long term investments in updated infrastructure in partnership with neighboring communities. The long term affordability of these investments is significantly influenced by our ability to grow in accordance with our "Smart Growth Plan". Other elements include Focus on

Energy rebates benefits which are alternatives to supply side generation additions such as the Koshkonong Solar Energy Center.

- E. To that end the Village has invested in and has adhered to the aspects of the "Smart Growth Plan," which has detailed the intended pattern of growth for the Village. The possibility and need for growth are incorporated into our existing infrastructure. This is critical to the defrayment of cost related to the sewage collection and water treatment system as well as stormwater collection and treatment.
- The potential encroachment of an industrial scale non-agricultural land use for power collection with 35 year lifespan within the extra territorial boundaries detailed in our smart growth plan represent an unreasonable interference with the orderly land use and development plans for the village, constraint to our orderly growth, the proper operation and financing of our existing infrastructure as well our ability to expand.
- F. Our municipality represents residents and businesses with substantial interests as property owners facing possible losses in property values, losses of livelihood and tax base revenue over time.

II. Notice of Appearance

Until further notice, the **VILLAGE OF CAMBRIDGE** will represent our interests in this matter and ask that future documents and correspondence in this docket be served to us using the below email address.

VILLAGE OF CAMBRIDGE

Lisa Moen, Clerk
Street Address,
Cambridge WI
608- 423-3712
lmoen@ci.cambridge.wi.us

Our Village Board respectfully requests that the Commission grant our request to intervene in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

President, **VILLAGE OF CAMBRIDGE**

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2021

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