PUBLIC HEARING Town of Machiasport SOLAR MORATORIUM October 23, 2023

Selectman Jeffrey Davis called meeting to order at 4:40 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Paula Aschettino: Hydrology studies should be required for all future development.

Joyce Smith: Natural resources must include wildlife.

Sue Almendinger: Has committee been formed? Loki has been soliciting residents to use property for development.

Robert Arseneau: Primary interest is to see rules in place for decommissioning when sites are abandoned.

Celeste Sherman: A solar farm must have access to the power grid.

Paula Aschettino: Commercial properties must keep open communication w/ town.

John Almendinger: Leases are commodities which are bought and sold.

Joyce Smith: Sportsman's Alliance of Maine presented a bill to only allow development on land effected.

Sue Almendinger: Is it wrong to say we don't want them here?

Celeste Sherman: Does this preclude town from using Gator site?

Jimmy Clark: Shouldn't this be done through the Planning Board?

Jeff Davis: We want to keep control of what we can.

Jeff Davis seconded the motion of Ryan Sprague to approve a Solar Moratorium, all in favor, motion carried.

Jeffrey Davis

Rvan Maker

Ryan Sprague

Marcia L. Hayward / Clerk