

DUANESBURG TOWN SOLAR COMMITTEE

Meeting Agenda
June 14 7:30 p.m.

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| 1. Presentation
“Can New York Save the Climate
Without Destroying Communities?” | Dennis Higgins & Keith Shue
Climate & Energy Advocates |
| 2. Solar Law Interests & Concerns | All members |
| 3. Law Format/Organization | See Attachment #1 |
| 4. Statement of Purpose | See Attachment #2 |
| 5. Application Requirements | See Attachment #3 |

SOLAR LAW STRUCTURES						
		<u>Current Duanesburg</u>	<u>Duanesburg Revised, Not Passed</u>	<u>Minden/Schoharie/ Sharon</u>		
Title		Included	Included	Not included		
Purpose and Intent		One paragraph	One paragraph	Three paragraphs		
Authority		Included	Included	Not included		
Definitions		Three items	Eight items	12 items		
Applicability		Not included	Not included	Included		
Requirements for Small-Scale Systems		Three items	Three items	Nine items		
Utility-Scale Systems						
	Applicability	Not included	Not included	Three paragraphs		
	Application Requirements	Special Use Permit	Special Use Permit	Special Use Permit + 11 items		
	General Provisions	12 items	13 items	20 items		
	Decommissioning	Included	Included (expanded)	Included		
	Security	Not specified	Specified	Specified		
TOTAL LAW		Four pages	Seven pages	10 pages		

PURPOSE.

The purpose of this local law shall be to govern the review of solar energy facilities and to amend the Town of Duanesburg Zoning Ordinance by providing for the siting, development and decommissioning of solar energy systems subject to reasonable conditions to reduce potential impacts to adjoining properties, while promoting the effective and efficient use of solar energy resources.

In accordance with its Comprehensive Plan, when reviewing solar energy facilities, the town seeks to encourage the preservation of its attractive and cultural landscape, and is committed to sustaining its valuable economic and natural resources, particularly agricultural land use, open spaces, natural habitats and fresh watersheds.

SOLAR LAW APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Included in Rotterdam, Schoharie, Sharon, Minden, Copake:

1. PE-signed plans
2. Plan for clearing & grading *
3. Electrical Diagram
4. Documentation of accessibility*
5. DEC Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan
6. Utility notification
7. Photo simulation
8. Noise analysis
9. Part 1 Full Environmental Assessment Form
10. Decommissioning Plan
11. Escrow Account for town review

Other frequently required items:

1. Legal consent among all parties (e.g. property owner, operator)
2. Equipment spec sheet/Inventory of equipment
3. Operation & Maintenance Plan

* = Required by Duanesburg zoning ordinance for site plan approval