

Susan Burgstrom

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Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2023 5:01 PM
To: Susan Burgstrom
Subject: Notice of public hearing Case 109-AM-23, Case 110-S-23, Case 111-S-23, Case 112-V-23 on Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 6:30pm

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Susan,

I have discussed this with my township board. Scott Township is not against new businesses coming into the township as long as they follow the rules with the Champaign County planning commission. However, we feel that they are asking for too many waivers.

In particular to Case 111-S-23:

Part A - why is Donato Solar - Bondville LLC not working with the Village of Bondville when they may need to gain access to water and sewer?

Part B - as being good neighbors and residential nearby there should be a plan on the landscape and weed control

Part C - Rt 10 is a state route and there should not be a wavier granted for entry onto the property unless they get permits/permission from the state. We need to understand how the entry to the property is going to be built because there is water and sewer lines running along Rt 10 on the north side where the proposed solar farm may be.

Part D - also as being good neighbors and residential nearby we should require a noise analysis performed for the data center

Is this the first Solar Array that Donato Solar has built in Champaign County? Has other Solar Array Farms been built and have they asked for all these waiver that Donato Solar is asking for?

I am sorry I will be out of town for this meeting, but would like for you to have this information for the meeting from Anthony Arnold, Scott Township supervisor. If you need anything else feel free to call me 217-898-2131.

Thank you.

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From: Stephanie N. Berry
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Subject: Case 111-S-23

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Zoning Committee:

I am writing you concerning the special petition of waivers for the solar farm proposed for Bondville. I am a property owner and volunteer firefighter for Bondville. I want it known I am against the proposed solar farm.

I know over the past several months, Donato Solar was expected to attend several meetings, either village board or zoning committee, to hear citizen comments and concerns but they did not attend. My guess is now they are circumventing the Village's processes to obtain permits by going through the county's zoning committee and requesting waivers. This leads me to believe the views of the citizens are not important to Donato Solar. By looking at the requested waivers, it appears Donato Solar's future intent is not to be a valued neighbor. In Part B, the request is for no weed control plan. This will be located on the most visible area of Bondville and on the surface sounds like a future eyesore and no landscaping plan. During initial talks with the Village, there were negotiations including a road that could lead to future commercial development. Part C requests to eliminate that. In Part D, it is requested to not submit a noise analysis. For the existing homes in the area, there is no concern for their tranquility. I saved Part A for last because I felt it was the most important. The request to have it within a half of a mile of the village will dramatically impact the growth of the village. Bondville's population sign has remained the same for at least 40 years. Champaign is running out of room to grow and villages like Bondville, could benefit from this. No developer nor home buyer is going to want to have a huge solar farm in their backyard. Bondville is surrounded by farmland that will remain so for generations, with the exception of this plot.

My other concerns with the solar farm are with the economic impact. My understanding is the power generated from the farm will not go back into the powergrid to benefit the community but will power Crypto-mining on the site. It appears to be an unmanned business, so it will not offer any employment opportunities for the community, either.

Please know I am not the only person concerned with the potential location of the Donato Solar farm. With the potential of growing to 77 acres, it will detrimentally impact the current residents and limit the potential of any future residents or commercial growth.

Respectfully,

Sean Arie

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From: Charles W. Campo
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Zoning Department,

I am writing regarding the solar panel farm project planned to be installed on the north side of Route 10 on the east side of Bondville. This area is prime land for the township to grow with a housing development that will generate property tax revenue for the town. The small community of Bondville will suffer if the solar panels are installed. After reading the case information, it is my understanding that Zero income from the project and the development of the solar panel farm will benefit Bondville. The town will not be re-imbursed for any road damage during the installation process. The cost would be passed on to the village. The panels generate noise, which is unfair to the current residents. Also from my understanding, the owners of the solar panel will not be held accountable for the maintenance of their land? This is totally unacceptable as I am a property owner in the village. I take pride in the village of Bondville and would expect a business to maintenance their land especially with the location proposed.

I find this project of no benefit for the town of Bondville and would appreciate the Zoning Department to disregard Bondville as an option for the solar panel farm.

Thank you,
Beth Chepan