NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF PREBLE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there has been presented to the Town Board of the Town of Preble, New York, on September 11, 2017, proposed Local Law No. **B**-2017, imposing a six (6) month moratorium on Free Standing Solar Panel Installations within the Town of Preble. Proposed Local Law B-2017 has been introduced and will be considered for enactment pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law. The full text of said Local Law is on file at the Town of Preble Town Hall, 1968 Preble Road, Preble, New York for inspection by all interested persons.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that on September 11, 2017, the Town Board determined that the proposed Local Law is a Type II action and thus, will have no significant adverse impact on the environment.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Town Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed Local Law at the said Town Hall on October 9, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, at which time all persons interested will be heard.

Dated October 2, 2017

Supervisor Doring opened the public hearing October 9, 2017 at 7:05 with the reading of the public hearing notice regarding Local Law #B-2017.

Board Members present: Don Fisher, Linda Riehlman and Al Socha

Others present: Don Armstrong, Bonnie Pitman, Dave Pitman, Betty Ann Pitman, Kate Edinger, Daniel Clausen, Nate Currie, Mike Dannan, Deb Putman, Jeff Griswold, Dan O'Shea, Joe Heath, Tarki Heath, Rene Compton, Nancy Dalley, Terry Orr, Glen Craig and Glen Craig, Jr.

Supervisor Doring asked for comments.

Mike Dannan – He believes the language should be changed. Regulations should be set to adhere to the comprehensive plan and would like a better interpretation of the law. Mike has accepted an invitation to join the committee and will be advised of the upcoming meeting.

Dan O'Shea – Dan spoke on the fact that this was started when a SU student started the project and has gone way overboard. He believes it is not necessary to do this and should abandon the project.

Joe Heath – Joe supports the moratorium. He does not agree with some of the aspects of the law and believes it needs cleaning up.

Daniel Claussen – He has panels up and is just wondering what is going to happen.

Rene Compton – She is questioning the wording of the law.

Supervisor Doring stated that we have not heard from the County Planning Board so this project will be heard next month at the November meeting as to whether to place a moratorium or continue on the project.

Nate Currie - Nate stated that the farmers in this town cannot afford to sell productive farm land but there is land on the hills where solar panels could be installed.

Glen Craig – The solar farms would be a taxable asset for the town. Supervisor Doring referred him to the Assessor who attends classes for all information.

Tarki Heath – People must understand technology!

Motion made by Linda Riehlman to close the public hearing, seconded by Don Fisher; the public hearing closed at 7:38.

Respectfully submitted,

Unofficial 10/09/2017 Official Jane W. Davenport Town Clerk