

Nov. 2, 2020

Mrs. Lynn Henschell
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Jed Welder
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Dear Mr. Welder:

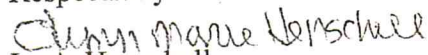
I am unable to attend the next Sidney Township Board meeting due to medical issues that would put me at risk if participants are not masked and not able to observe social distancing. I want to be included in the list of those opposed to the development of a wind farm in my neighborhood.

My husband and I have made our home on Derby Road for almost 30 years. We do not want to have our peaceful way of life interrupted by wind turbines and the strife I predict will happen as this project moves forward. Most of all, I object to the manner in which your involvement in this project was revealed. I believe it is unethical for you to accept money and sign contracts with Apex when you are in a position to influence township policy. You did not address that fact in your post.

I have been to Carson City and St. Louis area and I cringe every time I have to see the turbines. Every time I am thankful that we don't have to endure that landscape and the consequences to our property values. I understand that your mind is already made up however I believe this project is being crammed down our throats in a less than transparent manner. I suspect you may already know that this project would not be received warmly or more emphasis would have been placed on public hearings and input.

The donation of cash to the Sidney Park is immaterial. The methodology smells bad. You need to resign from the board and recuse yourself from any board decisions re: this project.

Respectfully.


Lynn Henschell

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Nov. 22, 2020

Sidney Township Board
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Dear Mrs. Stover:

This is my second letter to the board. My first asked for the recusal of Jud Welder due to his lack of judgment and behavior towards those who would oppose the Wind Turbines.

This letter has only to do with my objections to wind turbines in such a densely populated area. I cannot open a junk yard on my property without a fence because the township deems it blight. Until recently, it seems like the board has disregarded the effect these will have on the life of adjacent property owners.

I cannot participate in activities that disturb the life of my neighbors. Wind Turbines are readily heard and visible by many persons who do not want any part of them. They belong in areas not populated and near the homes of those who signed leases. They are blight. They negatively affect property values. There is evidence that they disrupt cell service which affects public safety. If these are not acceptable in municipal areas or on the lakes, why are they okay for rural residents? Our homes and quality of life are just as important.

I'm sure you have had the pros & cons of these monstrosities explained to you many times. The sheer fact that Apex is of such documented questionable reputation and the fact that there has been secrecy in their dealing with citizens and township officials, a red flag should be waving. They knew they would not be received warmly. Residents in other counties have commented on the fact that they were duped by Apex who certainly does NOT have the community interest in mind.

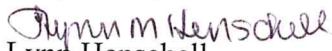
We moved here 30 years ago and stayed because we appreciate the quiet rural life, the wildlife, lakes and the people here. The revelation of this wind turbine project has been an emotional, financial, environmental and social alarm to us. I am asking you to protect the citizens of Sidney Township from the blight and hit to our property values that exist in other counties. I am asking you to carefully consider the need for questionable proposed revenue over the quality of life for all of us. A most restrictive ordinance needs to be adopted for the protection of residents.

I am a proponent of renewal energy and environmental protection. Wind turbines do not provide either. This is about profit, for the wind company. Further community discussion should be postponed due to COVID restrictions so that all can participate.

The Sidney Township Master Plan stresses single family dwellings, family focus. It acknowledges "farming is the predominant land use in the township, serene woodlands, wetlands and uninhabited water bodies have maintained their existence nestled between farm fields. Significant parts of the township are still undeveloped, and only occasionally disturbed by the existence of large lot single family residences." "It is important to consider natural features in community planning due to their contributions to the quality of human and animal life in the township. Protection of these rural, natural and cultural resources is critical to the preservation of the townships character." On page 32 "Enforce and maintain township codes that prevent operations and activities that would be considered a nuisance to residential areas."

I urge each of you to review the Master Plan and expect it to be used to support of our rural way of life which does not involve Wind Turbines.

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