

BENZIE COUNTY ZONING DEPARTMENT
MISLUP 08-04 NORCONK WECS
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 18, 2008

PRESENT: Craig Seger, Zoning Administrator; Chris Flynn, Assistant to the Zoning Administrator; Clarence Davis, Platte Township Supervisor; Aldo Davis sitting in for Phil Jaquish, Electrical Inspector and Marilyn Herman, John Norconk, Mike Norconk, Clarence Davis, and Harry Norconk

I. Flynn opened the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

II. **Presentation of Application** Flynn reviewed the file and Staff Report checklist. Flynn reported that Dave Neiger, County Planning Director had concerns about the lack of an UL Label for the system and the calculations to convert meters to feet. Flynn double checked the arithmetic and reports the towers are 40 feet in height, more or less. Seger agreed with height. Flynn reported the receipt of the Affidavit of Compliance and letter of approval from the Homestead Township Fire Department.

III. **Public Input** Marilyn Herman submits document containing information on the standards for this type of WECS that does not require a UL Label. Seger will look into what is required by the State of Michigan. All family members present were in favor of the project. A letter was received from the National Park Service in favor of the project. Aldo Davis reported that the Electric Inspector has concerns with internal equipment, controls, and lack of a UL Label. He would like the application submitted to the Building Department for site plan review. Flynn provided a copy of the complete file to Aldo Davis to be forwarded to Phil Jaquish.

IV. **Decision** Flynn declares the application in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance excepting the UL Label. The permit will not be issued until Seger has researched whether or not this system is required to have one. The applicant understands that valid electrical and building permits are required prior to construction of the system.

V. Flynn adjourned the public hearing at 10:20 a.m.