

# LEGISLATIVE SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 15, 2018

**Present:** Robert Magovern - Chair  
George Bitzas – Vice Chair  
Rosemary Sandlin  
Robert Rossi  
Cecilia Calabrese

**Also Present:** Council President Johnson, Councilors Mercadante and Cavallo, Mayor Sapelli and Solicitor Buoniconti

**Called to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Chairman Magovern at 7:00pm in the Peirce Room at the Agawam Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam.

## AGENDA

### 1. Approval of Minutes dated January 30, 2018

Motion to approve both the minutes made by Councilor Calabrese and seconded by Councilor Sandlin. The vote was 5 YES, 0 NO approving the minutes.

### 2. TOR-2017-13- An Ordinance to amend the Code of the Town of Agawam Zoning Ordinances to add solar energy systems (Sponsored by Councilors Johnson and Rossi) (Referred to Planning Board for their Public Hearing) (City Council Public Hearing set for March 19, 2018)

There was much discussion about the revised language of this ordinance. The language changed for roof mounted systems increased 80% to 90% coverage and possibility of changing it to 85% to 95% coverage. Also researching if the granting of a Special Permit would require six or eight votes. The Public Hearing for the City Council is set for March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Went into Committee as a Whole at 7:40pm to hear citizens' comments. Will Clark spoke in favor of the revised ordinance thinking this would help prevent the town from being sued. No one else spoke. Came out of Committee as a Whole at 7:43pm.

Motion to send a positive recommendation to the Full Council made by Councilor Sandlin and seconded by Councilor Calabrese. The vote was 4 YES, 0 NO, 1 PRESENT (Councilor Bitzas).

### 3. Any other business that may legally come before the Committee.

None.

### 4. Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn was moved and seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Magovern, Chair  
Legislative Committee