

Email Received from Barry Funfar Regarding Struggles with Wind Turbines

Dec 13, 2017

Hello Michael,

I am Barry Funfar, brother of Charlie Funfar who has a property on Pelican Lake. His wife Elaine Emailed me yesterday concerning a wind power project that sounds likely to have negative repercussions to many properties on/near Pelican Lake. My own home/property here in Falmouth, Massachusetts was seriously detrimented by two municipal 1.65MegaWatt wind turbines built under shady circumstances in 2010. They were 1500 and 1600 feet from the back of my home but bothered others living up to a mile distant. It took over seven years of hard fought diligence to finally win a court ordered shutdown of these machines because of nuisance to our property. My wife and I were forced from our home and gardens during the operation of these machines. Just for my wife and I our costs to "win" their stoppage was a documented \$745,000 plus having 12 neighbors who also paid dearly while suffering through the snail paced legal system. Of our own \$745,000 spent, attorney fees are near \$200,000 and still mounting, the remainder being for travel and expenses to get away from our unlivable home. Though we won the shutdown of the turbines the money damages are still in limbo with court set for June 2018. To date the Town has offered us \$10,000 in compensation!

I will enclose the nuisance verdict of June 20, 2017 rendered by Judge Moriarty in Barnstable Superior Court.

This verdict is said to have been a turning point for fighting Big Wind and its governmental supporters. I beleive it was a first of its kind against the wind industry. Their are getting to be more and more studies and facts coming out on the risks of living too close to large wind turbines. The bottom line to myself is that the constant annoyance from noise, vibrations to ones home and body, the visual stimuli of flashing red lights and especially show flicker/strobe effect eventually causes ones stress level to remain sky high = chronic stress which in turn causes any weakness one has to manifest itself into a worst case scenario.

The bottom line for all you neighbors is to stop this thing before it is ever built.

How did the company get a zoning change or variance to allow this project?

The timing for the approval meetings on this project sound very suspect and right along the lines of how these potentially damaging wind projects find their existence. The neighbors best begin to rally immediately.

To begin with get that Dec 18/20 meeting postponed.

Good luck.

Sincerely,

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ELAINE,

Best get this notice to every Pelican neighbor you possibly can-----ASAP. Once they get these projects approved your legal expenses will soar! Did I mention that your properties can depreciate by 20-40%.

Barry