

Resolution  
2022-15

**RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON WIND  
FARM APPLICATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, the Putnam County Board passed a resolution establishing a temporary moratorium on wind farm applications on August 27, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2022, the Putnam County Zoning Board of Appeals received a recommended text amendment to the WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEM (WECS) ORDINANCE; and

**WHEREAS**, the Putnam County Zoning Board of Appeals has not had a sufficient number of members nor has the County had a zoning officer to review the proposed text amendment or hold public hearings regarding the issue; and

**WHEREAS**, the Putnam County Board wishes to extend the moratorium on wind farm applications so that all avenues are explored prior to adopting a text amendment to the WECS Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, no application for construction of a wind energy conversion system is pending with the zoning board of appeals.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Putnam County Board following review, consideration and discussion that the Board has determined that a temporary moratorium on further development of wind energy conversion systems should be extended to allow further study and resolve the concerns expressed by citizens.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, it is the Putnam County Board's desire to instruct the Putnam County Zoning Board of Appeals to review the conditions in the Ordinance, hold public hearings and make any changes to that ordinance by the June 15, 2023, Putnam County Board Meeting.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that after the Putnam County Zoning Board of Appeals has reviewed the conditions in the wind turbine ordinance and having made any changes to that section that the moratorium be ended by June 30, 2023 unless ended earlier by a county board resolution or extended prior to June 20, 2023 by a county board resolution.

**Passed and adopted** by the County Board of Putnam County, Illinois, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022, by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstain.

Roll Call:

Aye:

Nay:

Abstain:

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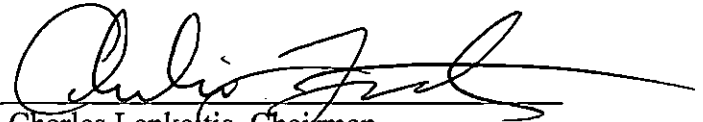
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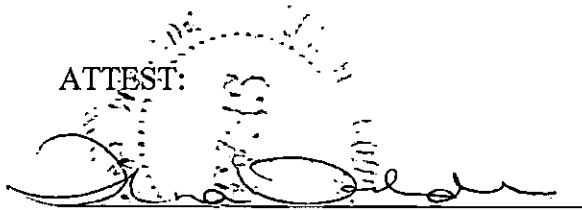
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Charles Lenkaitis, Chairman  
Putnam County Board

ATTEST:

  
Tina Dolder, Clerk  
Putnam County Board