

FINDINGS OF FACT AND RECOMMENDATION
OF THE McLEAN COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

This is the findings of fact and the recommendation of the McLean County Zoning Board of Appeals in case ZA-16-01 concerning an application of the McLean County Farm Bureau in Case ZA-16-01. This is a text amendment of regulations for wind power generation facilities in the McLean County Zoning Ordinance which is in Chapter 350 of the Code of McLean County. Sections of the County Code which will be amended include, but are not limited to: Section 350-26 – Definitions; and Section 350-43.OO – Use Standard for a Major Utility.

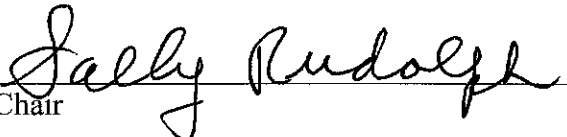
After due notice, as required by law, the Zoning Board of Appeals held a public hearing in this case on June 7, 2016 in Room 400, Government Center, 115 East Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois and hereby report their findings of fact and their decision as follows: The proposed text amendment would allow changes to the Zoning Ordinance regarding the regulation of wind power generation facilities.

The McLean County Farm Bureau submitted a text amendment to codify many of the stipulations that had been approved in one or more of the four wind farm special use permits in McLean County. McLean County staff supported the proposed text amendment and proposed minor modifications. The Zoning Board of Appeals added several other modifications.

Therefore, the Zoning Board of Appeals hereby recommends that the McLean County Zoning Ordinance be amended as proposed for wind power generation facilities in Exhibit A of the accompanying text amendment ordinance.

ROLL CALL VOTE - The roll call vote was seven members for the motion to recommend granting, none opposed and members Turner and Finnigan were absent.

Respectfully submitted by the McLean County Zoning Board of Appeals


Chair

6-10-16
Date

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