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Resolution

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF EXCLUSION ZONES TO RESTRICT THE CONSTRUCTION OF LARGE WIND FARMS AND SOLAR FACILITIES WITHIN THE CONFINES OF HANOVER, LICKING, ST. ALBANS, UNION AND WASHINGTON TOWNSHIPS, LICKING COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Hanover, Licking, St. Albans, Union and Washington Township Trustees have requested that the Board of Licking County Commissioner (Board) designate all of the unincorporated area of their respective townships as restricted areas under R.C. § 303.58 so as to prohibit the construction of large wind farms, and large solar facilities as those phrases are defined in R.C. § 4906.01 and used in R.C. § 303.57 et. seq.; and,

WHEREAS, Revised Code Section 303.58(C) required that in advance of passing a resolution that would authorize the establishment of such exclusionary zones this Board, was required to hold a public meeting and to take further actions regarding notice; and,

WHEREAS, whereas, by way of this Board's Resolution 123-225, a public hearing was set for Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. and public notice of the meeting was given by way of one publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the county; by publicly posting a map showing the boundaries of the proposed restricted area at all public libraries within the county; and, by providing written notice of the meeting, by first class mail, to all school districts, municipal corporations, and boards of township trustees located in whole, or in part, within the boundaries of the proposed restricted area; and,

WHEREAS, at the public meeting this Board heard comments from the Trustees of said Townships and multiple citizens – all who spoke in support of the creation of such exclusionary zones; and,

WHEREAS, at the public meeting this Board notified interested parties that it would make a decision on the matter at a later date and that notice would be provided of the Board's intent to act on the matter by putting such a topic on the publicly-available agenda for the Board's standard meetings, and parties were encouraged to monitor the posted agenda; and,

WHEREAS, this subject was placed on the agenda for consideration and discussion today as represented.

WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

Section 1. This Board hereby establishes exclusionary zones restricting the construction of "large wind farms" and "large solar facilities" as those phrases are defined in Revised Code Sections 303.57 and 4906.01, said zones to include all parcels of real property within the unincorporated portions of Hanover, Licking, St. Albans, Union and Washington Townships' borders as generally shown on Exhibit A attached hereto.

Section 2. These exclusion zones shall remain in effect for all portions of said Township unless: (i) this Board by later resolution rescinds or amends this resolution; or (ii) a portion of such Townships become incorporated.

Section 3. This Resolution becomes effective thirty days after the date of its adoption, unless, within thirty days after the adoption, there is presented to this Board a petition as authorized by Revised Code Section 303.59.

Section 4. Within five (5) working days after the effective date of this Resolution, the Clerk of this Board shall file with the office of the county recorder and the planning commission a copy of this resolution and the attached map as required by law, the Board being of the opinion that the text of this resolution and attached map are "sufficient to identify all boundaries of the restricted area" as required by law.

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Motion by BUBB seconded by BLACK

that the resolution be adopted was carried by the following vote:

YEAS: * * *

NAYS: * * *

CC: Ken Oswalt – Compliance Officer FILE

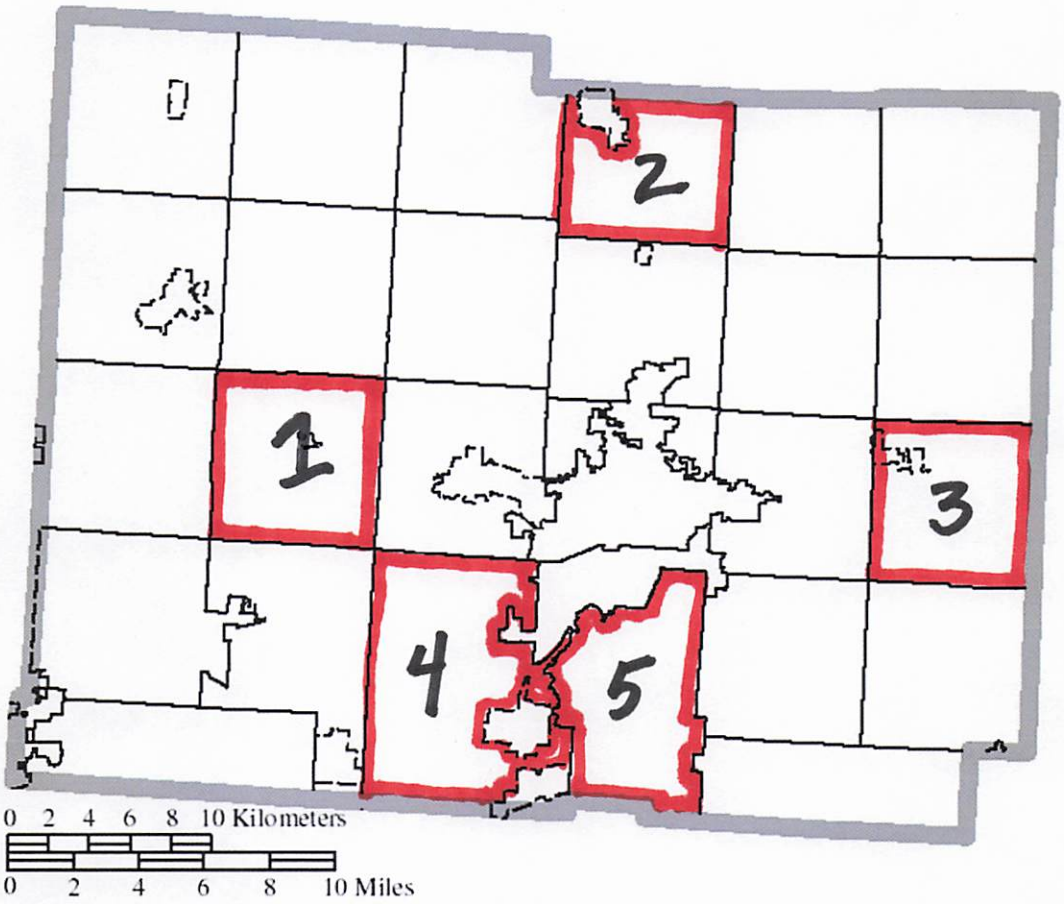
Duane H. Flowers
Rick Black
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Adopted: August 29, 2024

Beverly Adzic, Clerk/Administrator

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Map of Licking County Ohio Townships exclusionary zones in the entirety of the unincorporated areas of the respective Townships



Townships APPROVED for Wind and Solar for exclusionary zones

Number on map	Township	Township Resolution #
1	St. Albans	30-2024
2	Washington	24-016
3	Hanover	5-2024
4	Union	2024-26
5	Licking	03-04-2024

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