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Subject: RE: hearing

Melanie, thanks for taking the time to talk last week on the application pending for 63 Woodland Street in Glastonbury. Much appreciated. As we discussed I reviewed the transcript from the February 8th meeting of the Siting Council and had a couple of concerns / questions.

At the hearing on January 11th in Glastonbury testified that the Glastonbury Town Council had voted to request a mon pine structure. Town officials attending the hearing understood the Chair to ask the applicant to circle back with the town on options for such a structure. Perhaps we misunderstood the discussion.

A request was also made to allow equipment in support of public safety communications in Glastonbury to be placed on the proposed structure. The applicant indicated a need to better understand the scope of such equipment. This required a little research on my end.

My letter of January 29th was intended to follow up on both matters. Unfortunately my new executive assistant did not recognize the opportunity to e-mail and mail the letter.

By letter of February 2nd the applicant delivered follow up information to the Siting Council . Unfortunately this timing did not allow for a reasonable opportunity for a 9 member elected town council to schedule a special meeting to review. Again we had anticipated a more intentional review by the applicant [the next regular council meeting was February 13th].

I recognize the protocols of the Siting Council but given the discussion of the 8th wanted to follow up with this explanation.

The town would welcome the opportunity to discuss options for the structure and use of the proposed town for public safety equipment.

As always many thanks for your availability to dicuss pending matters.

From: Bachman, Melanie [<mailto:Melanie.Bachman@ct.gov>]
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Good morning, Richard.

No bother at all. Unfortunately, as a party, the town was required to submit any pre-filed testimony or evidence in writing to the Council and the applicant prior to January 4, 2018. However, do not fret, there

is another approach that would accomplish the same purpose, particularly since the new town council requests are absolutely reasonable and wouldn't require the applicant to conduct any research.

Here is my recommendation - When the evidentiary hearing session commences at 3 PM tomorrow, the Council will cross examine the applicant. When the Council completes its cross examination, the Town will have an opportunity to cross examine the applicant. Certainly, as representative for the town as a party, you could ask the applicant during cross examination whether it could construct a stealth tower (I'm not sure if the town council had a preference for a certain type of stealth installation, but we've seen trees, water tanks, silos, etc., so maybe ask them generally about different types of stealth installations?) and whether it would offer space on the tower for emergency communications.

Also, we could change the order of cross examination and allow the town to cross examine the applicant in advance of the Council subject to any objections from the applicant, which I doubt they would object, but we have to ask. Since we have 9 Council members, I almost prefer the town cross examine the applicant first to ensure the town would not have to attend a continued evidentiary hearing in New Britain on a future date to ask these two questions.

Does this approach seem reasonable to you? Please let me know when you have a chance.

Thanks.

Melanie

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Melanie, hate to bother you again. I have a new town council after the November elections and last night they reviewed the matter scheduled for hearing in Glastonbury this Thursday. They have 2 requests. A stealth installation and ability to locate town public safety communications equipment as beneficial on the structure. Going through the background info not clear how this can be best presented. My preference is to introduce brief letter but appears this is not protocol for those with Party status?

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