

I greatly appreciate the Henry County Commissioners asking for public input on the three agreements with the wind industry companies. I, however, don't see how the general public is supposed to understand the legal jargon. Having said that, I read through the contracts and deciphered as much as I could. My take:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

1. "The wind companies requested assistance with completion of certain road improvements." That statement is clear as mud. How could you agree to a request that has no explanation? Also, there should be NO assistance from the county at all! The wind "farm" is the wind company's baby. They should be responsible for birthing, raising, and cleaning up after it.
2. "Granting of tax abatement deductions". A simple "NO". The companies want to come into our beautiful county, destroy the land, erect 500 ft. plus eye sores, affect the physical and mental health of people and animals (proven), and get a tax abatement doing so.

DECOMMISSIONING:

1. "Remove generating units to a depth of 4 ft." Does that mean leaving 6ft. of the 10 ft. concrete base? If so, what sense does that make?
2. What does "exclusive of underground and cable circuits" mean? All of what is installed on top and under the ground should be removed, period.
3. "If company fails to provide the Restoration Fund and if county declares a default hereunder, county can pay any premium necessary to continue or establish the Restoration Fund in which case the company shall reimburse the county for the amount of such premium". Really? Did anyone actually read this? Another simple "NO". This puts total faith in 1. The county has any money for the fund, and 2. The company would actually reimburse the money. The county should NOT be responsible for decommissioning! The wind companies and /or land lease signers only should be responsible, with strict penalties for not complying. I have been on this planet long enough to know you can't trust most

everyone or, especially, any company. Does the word "bankruptcy" come to mind?

ROADS and Drains:

I feel I cannot comment on this subject because of all the gibberish written in the agreement other than to say that the companies should be responsible for the total project.

I would like to add that all the countless hours of time spent by many residents and commissioners, all the unnecessary emotions, grief, and turmoil, and all the conflict between residents could have been prevented by simply sticking to the ORIGINAL thought in the Henry County Comprehensive Plan that Henry County is NOT a place to install industrial wind turbines. Also, the county residents objecting to the turbines are educated, good, caring, and thoughtful people who just don't want to be affected by, or see the turbines. Respectfully,

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