

August 20, 2020

By motion of Rosalie Farina
Second by Cheryl Huxhold

Requesting the Town of Glen Town Board to review and reconvene a public hearing for the proposed Solar Law, held in April 2020, due to the pandemic and the regulations set for by the governor of NY.

New York State governor's office issued the "New York State on PAUSE" executive order that became effective at 8 PM on Sunday, March 22 and temporarily banned all non-essential gatherings of individuals of any size for any reason. Governor Cuomo also announced "Matilda's Law" to protect New York's most vulnerable populations, including individuals age 70 and older and those with compromised immune systems and those with underlying illnesses. The measure required this group of New Yorkers to stay home and limit home visitation to immediate family members or close friends in need of emergency assistance.

The ordered included but was not limited to:

- Effective 8PM on Sunday, March 22, all non-essential businesses statewide will be closed
- Non-essential gatherings of individuals of any size, for any reason are canceled or postponed at this time.
- Any concentration of individuals outside their home must be limited to workers providing essential services and social distancing should be practiced.

"Matilda's Law" included the following but was not limited to:

- Remain indoors
- can go outside for solitary exercise
- do not visit households with multiple people

Given the above mandates from the governor's office, we believe the Town of Glen Town Board should have postponed the public hearing for the proposed Solar Law, as residents were adhering to the executive orders of the governor and going out only for essential needs (e.g. groceries) and avoiding any contact with others as necessary.

Passed by Vote:

In Favor: Rosalie Farina, Cheryl Huxhold, Tim McMurry, Sandra Hemstreet, Tim Reilly

Opposed: NA

Abstain: NA

Members Absent: Pat Rose, Nancy Langdon

Sandra Hemstreet
Secretary