

**VIRGINIA:** at the **REGULAR MEETING** of the Tazewell County Planning Commission held March 14<sup>th</sup> 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Tazewell County Administration Building, Tazewell, Virginia -- 197 Main Street

**PRESENT:** Ann Robinson-Chairperson  
Robert “Bob” Moss-Vice-Chairman  
Jason Herndon-Member (Late 6:35 p.m.)  
Anthony Ramella—Member  
Hayden Lyons—Member  
Lance Wimmer--Member

**OTHERS**

**PRESENT:** Kenneth Dunford, Jr., -- Director of County Engineering  
Kimberly Hilbert-Executive Secretary  
Chase Collins-- County Attorney  
Robert Carlson--Visitor

**ABSENT:** Kyle Cruvey—Member

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Chairperson Robinson called the March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 regular meeting to order and presided at approximately 6:30 p.m.

She then welcomed all visitors and all those in attendance.

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**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Chairperson Robinson gave the invocation, followed by, the Pledge of Allegiance to the US flag by Vice-Chairman Moss.

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**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FORMAT**

Upon motion of Vice-Chairman Moss, seconded by Member Lyons, and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with Member Herndon not yet arrived, and Member Cruvey absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **APPROVE** the agenda as presented.

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**APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 8TH, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Upon motion by Member Ramella, seconded by Member Lyons, and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Member Herndon not yet arrived and Member Cruely absent from the meeting, The Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **APPROVE** the February 8th, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes with correction being made on page 4.

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**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

**Public Hearing—Comprehensive Plan**

Chairperson Robinson turned the floor over to Chase Collins, County Attorney. Mr. Collins stated that the Planning Commission had previously recommended to the Board of Supervisors the Comprehensive Plan but the plan has to have its own separate public hearing. The advertising has been done and all provisions have been met to comply with the Code of Virginia. Mr. Collins asked the Commission to vote on the Roberts Rules for meetings to move the Citizens Comments to follow the public hearing. Upon Motion by Vice-Chairman Moss, seconded by Member Ramella, and voted on by a vote of 6 to 0, with Member Cruely absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby change the order of the Agenda. He then turned the floor back to Chairperson Robinson to open the public hearing.

Chairperson opened the floor and made the first call for public consideration on the Comprehensive Plan. Second call, third and final call was made and the floor was closed for public comment.

Upon motion by Member Herndon, seconded by Vice-Chairman Moss and voted on by a vote of 6 to 0, with Member Cruely absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby APPROVE, by resolution, the sending of the 2023 Comprehensive Plan to the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors for adoption.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Mr. Robert Carlson-1142 Lake Witten, North Tazewell, VA would like the county to prohibit solar panels. He presented the commission with a Chemical Safety Data Sheet MSDS/SDS on Cadmium Telluride. Both, Chairperson Robinson and Mr. Collins asked that the data sheet be incorporated into the minutes. Mr. Carlson also brought up that the county needs some type of Nuclear Ordinance to help protect its citizens.

Chairperson Robinson asked that there be a meeting with Board of Supervisors to amend the Solar Ordinance and asked that the Public Service Authority also attend the Board of Supervisors meeting in April 2024.

### NEW STATE MODEL E & S ORDINANCE

Kenneth Dunford, Jr., Director of Engineering, went over the ordinance with the commission. He asked that the ordinance be revised and a public hearing be set to adopt the new E & S Ordinance. He would like to incorporate 15 days instead of 10 days for E & S plan reviews.

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Moss, seconded by Member Ramella, and voted on by a vote of 6 to 0, with Member Cruey absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby Direct, Chase Collins, County Attorney, to Revise the Draft for the New State Model E & S Ordinance for the April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Meeting.

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### SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

#### WANDERING TRAIL PETITION—THOMPSON VALLEY AREA

Kenneth Dunford, Jr., Director of Engineering and Vice-Chairman Moss went and viewed the road. Vice-Chairman Moss stated that the road was up hill and it would take a lot of ditching to fix the drainage issues. Approximately 5 to 6 homes are affected. He would advise the county not to take it into the Orphan Road System at this time.

Mr. Dunford stated it would be approximately:

- \$8,000 to grade, stone, and make turn around (Recurring cost every year)
- \$13,000 to pave
- \$30,000--\$35,000 to fix drainage issue

Chairperson Robinson questioned if there were any mitigation to help with the problem. Mr. Dunford stated there was not.

Upon motion by Member Herndon, seconded by Vice-Chairman Moss, and voted on by a vote of 6 to 0, with Member Cruey absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **DECLINE** taking Wandering Trail into the Tazewell County Orphan Road System at this time.

**MEMBER CONCERNS**

**Member Ramella:** None

**Member Lyons:** Asked Mr. Collins about the status of Broad Band in Thompson Valley Area. Mr. Collins responded hopefully by the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2025. Currently out of funding.

**Vice-Chairman Moss:** Has had no phone, internet, electricity for two weeks due to a surge in power from the recent storms.

**Member Wimmer:** None

**Member Herndon:** None

**Chairperson Robinson:** Starlink Internet Service—Costly Investment. \$100.00 a month. Trash along highway. Mr. Dunford stated contact Harold Heatley at the Sheriff's Department.

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Upon motion by Member Herndon, seconded by Vice-Chairman Moss, and voted on by a vote of 6 to 0, with Member Crucey absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission is hereby adjourned at approximately 7:48 p.m. until the regular meeting time on Thursday, April 11th, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

*Kimberly Hilbert*

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Kimberly Hilbert—Executive Secretary



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Ann Robinson—Chair

Tazewell County Planning Commission

March 14, 2024

Tazewell County Planning Commission  
197 Main Street  
Tazewell, Virginia 24651

Dear Planning Commission Members,

I would like you to revise the TAZEWEEL COUNTY, VIGINIA ORDINANCE  
PERTAINING TO SOLAR ENERGY FACILITES Ordinance 24-002.

The use of Cadmium-Telluride, Cd-Te, in solar panels is a hazardous toxin that  
causes cancer. The MSDS sheets state these facts.

The use of Cd-Te solar panels in the large scale solar facilities should be  
prohibited.

On page 14 add “(9) Solar panels containing Cadmium-Telluride or any other  
hazardous chemical shall not be used in Tazewell County”. This is just above Sec.  
1-9.

The use of Cd-Te solar panels world-wide is just 5%.

Respectfully,



Robert Carlson  
1142 Lake Witten Road  
North Tazewell, Virginia 24630

# ChemicalBook

## Chemical Safety Data Sheet MSDS / SDS

### CADMIUM TELLURIDE

ChemicalBook Ltd. 2014-2019. Revision Number: 1

#### SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

##### Product identifier

Product name	CADMIUM TELLURIDE
CB number	CB5130542
CAS	1306-25-8
EINECS Number	215-149-9
Synonyms	cadmium telluride; Telluroxocadmium

##### Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses	For R&D use only. Not for medicinal, household or other use
Uses advised against	none

##### Company Identification

Company	Chemicalbook
Address	Building 1, Huihuang International, Shanghai 10th Street, Haidian District, Beijing
Telephone	400-158-6606

#### SECTION 2: Hazards identification

##### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Symbol/GHS:



Warning



Signal word

##### Precautionary statements

- P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray
- P273 Avoid release to the environment
- P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
- P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and Keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing
- P321 Specific treatment (see ... on this label)
- P391 Collect spillage. Hazardous to the aquatic environment

##### Hazard statements

- H302 Harmful if swallowed
- H312 Harmful in contact with skin
- H332 Harmful if inhaled
- H400 Very toxic to aquatic life
- H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

