

Town, Village Of Sherman Decide Not To Annex Property

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SHERMAN — The town and village have come to a decision to not annex a property that has been the cause of debate for many weeks.

The property which the village hoped to annex from the town is 62 acres along the west side of the village boundary, running parallel along state Route 430. The village has bought this property and has full ownership. The village plans to build a solar farm on the property to help with the expansion of the village's wastewater treatment plant after making the property part of the village boundaries. At the moment it sits within the boundaries of the town only.

A public hearing was meant to be held for the village and town to discuss the issue back on Feb. 2. This meeting was rescheduled by the town as soon as it started because of legal explanations, according to a previous Post-Journal article, though it was said to be unclear as to why it was rescheduled with such a late notice. The meeting was rescheduled for the following Monday, Feb. 13. This meeting was also rescheduled.

In a previous interview, Village Mayor Colleen Meeder said the purpose of the meeting was for the two boards to determine the right next step. In an official statement from Town Supervisor Mark Persons, it was announced that a decision has finally been reached.

“The town of Sherman and the village of Sherman have negotiated and sought out common ground for the purpose of expediting and moving forward with the current solar project proposed by SL Sherman LLC and SL Sherman II LLC, situated in both the Town of Sherman and the Village of Sherman,” Persons said. *“After many hours of reviewing possible options, the town of Sherman and the village of Sherman have reached an agreement with the developer that will result in benefits to all parties and citizens in our community without altering any existing municipal boundaries.”*

The town and village were unable to share any more information at this time.