

**\*\*\*Our Public Comment at BEGINNING of meeting form notes.**

**\* Solar panels on Courthouse/Jail Property**

Leelanau County Energy Futures Task Force 13 pg. document **not provided** to Commissioners or the public **before 2/13/23** Ex. Com. Mtg. **and this** meeting. No **total** \$\$Dollar amount noted in their report obtained after the meeting. Seems odd Task Force chose not to provide where those (taxpayer) grant fund \$millions to come from because such money is always extorted from taxpayers. In our years of attending BOC meetings, commissioners usually approve these nebulous grant projects because of short term thinking. No skin off their backs as most serve a short time and are gone and don't care about results. **Unless electors lawfully petition for this questionable** feel good folly, BOC must not proceed with plastering County property "campus" with tons of glass solar panels. Grants have agendas.

**\* Brownfield Development, Bluebird-Public Hearing** 5 months ago. We asked 5(?) question at this PH and were promised answers by the Chair. Can we please have those answers? Or, did we misunderstand...?

**\* 'You Can't Find Your Innocence By Hating Others'** A recent article—applies to BOC's Clerk-Loathing motion/decision May 11, 2021. More later

**\*\*\*Our public comments at END of meeting-from notes at meeting, etc.**

**\* We agree with Mr. Ashley's critical comments about the Commission's May 11, 2021 bad Clerk-Loathing decision/motion with NO plan.** Particularly, that the County failed to select an independent/arms length search firm to select Administrator/Finance Director. Appears this BOC is tragically unable to extract itself from the past because this BOC wants to stay in the past by "selecting" retired administrator Janik's firm (MLI) to do the search. Janik supported the harmful/**NO plan Clerk-Loathing** decision and appears not to have fixed it for 18 months before he retired. He called it a "fiasco"!

**\* LC Energy Futures Force.** We've just had an hour and 20 minutes of **Government by Insanity** about a questionable non-essential and nonmandated project **withOUT** a special BOC meeting!

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Again, our observation, when **commissioners** allow themselves to be coerced with sweet talk with almost not time to review, **in a panic**, **THEY** will approve **\$millions** to condemn taxpayers to “enjoy” it. **Especially if the project is non-mandated and/or non-essential!** Any tax credit the **county** will receive as a result of this project, like all grant moneys, must come from taxpayers.

\* **Michigan Public Service Commission.** Only **THREE** people serve on the Mich. Public Service Commission disgorging taxpayer money. We’re to trust **them** in their appointed omniscience(?) and omnipotence(?) to decide what is best for **our local** community...doling out **\$\$\$millions**? Looks like our(?) commissioners want to revel/enjoy wasting money so much that they do not want any other community to waste **that \$\$\$money**...

\* Appears some LC **Commissioners** are running for reelection based on **Denying Public Comment/Free Speech** at BOC meetings because **they** despise electors/taxpayers!? **What a noble cause!**

\* **“You Can’t Find Your Innocence By Hating Others”**

**Appears applicable to BOC’s May 11, 2021 Clerk-Loathing motion/decision.**

An American Institute of Economic Research 1/7/24 article with Shelby and Eli Steele. <https://www.aier.org/article/you-cant-find-your-innocence-by-hating-others/>

**Excerpts below:** Eli Steel, ‘...woke ideology “is an almost perverted battle for innocence.”’ Shelby Steele added, “So much of our politics and culture really come out of this struggle with innocence. Wokeness is nothing more or less than this struggle for innocence--a way to be innocent, and therefore to have power. This leads to dark things.”’  
 ‘Shelby Steele observed the left claims its “politics have more innocence than yours,” and on that basis, they seek power over others’.  
 ‘Evil is everywhere waiting around the corner, advocating for itself as a *moral convenience* that will make you a better person... So you become a cheerleader for evil, thinking you’re helping.’

**\*\*\*NOTE:** Emphasis of background color --by spm