

**TOWN OF JACKSON  
PLANNING BOARD MEETING  
October 6, 2020**

The Town of Jackson Planning Board met on October 6, 2020 at 7 pm at the Town of Jackson town Hall. The following people were in attendance-

**Board Members:**

- Noel Hanf (by phone)
- Amy Maxwell
- Mark Mahoney
- Irene Headwell
- Nick Rowland
- John Tully
- Cheryl Record (tried to connect by phone)

**Others Present:**

- Jenny Dunn
- Sharon Dunn
- Robert McGeoch
- Ingermar Cannistraci
- Steve LeFevre (B&L Consulting)
- Others not signed in

**Public Hearing- Robert McGeoch**

The public hearing was opened at 7 pm for the Robert McGeoch minor subdivision. Ingermar Cannistraci was in attendance with interest in the subdivision. Mr. McGeoch gave a brief description of the property. There were no questions or concerns from the public. The public hearing was closed at 7:09pm.

**Minutes**

A motion was made by Mark Mahoney, seconded by Irene Headwell to approve the September 1, 2020 meeting minutes as written. Motion carried in favor 6-0 with Nick Rowland abstaining.

[Due to technical issues, Cheryl Record had to disconnect]

**ROBERT MCGEOCH**

Mr. McGeoch stated that it was Peter Bell, under the direction of William Wiley that completed the survey on July 27, 2020. A motion was made by Tully and seconded by Rowland to approve the Robert A McGeoch minor subdivision, map dated October 6, 2020 and signed by surveyor William A. Wiley. Motion carried in favor of 6-0.

Roll Call:

Noel Hanf	Aye	Irene Headwell	Aye
Mark Mahoney	Aye	Amy Maxwell	Aye
John Tully	Aye	Nick Rowland	Aye

The Mylar map was signed and dated by Chairwoman Maxwell.

**PAULINE LAPOINT/BORREGO SOLAR**

Steve LeFevre, a consultant from Barton & Loguidice was in attendance. He was hired by the planning board (paid for by the applicant) to review the Borrego solar project. Upon review of Borrego’s site plan application and all additional documents, Mr. LeFevre wrote his recommendations in a letter dated September 30, 2020, addressed to Chair Maxwell, that was later forwarded to Borrego. During the meeting, Mr. LeFevre explained the recommendations and answered the board member’s questions. The letter is on file.

Mr. Mahoney questioned the decommissioning and what the board should be aware of. Mr. LeFevre stated that the decommissioning bond should state what the cost will be when the solar contract ends. He also suggested that the board could consider conditional of approval that would require a review of the cost estimates every five years.

Additionally, Mr. LeFevre recommended the town hire an outside engineering firm to make periodic inspections of the project, while under construction to make sure Borrego is staying within the terms of the site plan approval.

Chair Maxwell then opened the floor for public discussion. One property owner questioned the value of properties in the area once the solar panels are up. Another owner questioned the issue of glare and water runoff. A final owner thanked the planning board for being thorough with regards the entire project. A Route 22 property owner made a threat. Some members of the board thought they heard him say that if the project was approved, he would sue. Others in attendance thought they heard him say that if the project was approved that he would shoot. All issues will be discussed when completing the SEQR.

**Future Planning Board Meetings**

The board discussed the plans for the future meeting in the winter. It was decided that the meetings will take place in person. They will, however, continue to keep GoToMeeting account

for any board members who may need to attend virtually. This will be permitted as long as Governor Cuomo continues to extend the Executive Order allowing virtual meetings.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, November 10, 2020 @ 7 pm

**Adjourned:** @ 8:35pm

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Ruggles

[The last paragraph of the Pauline Lapoint/Borrego Solar was amended during the November 10, 2020 Planning Board meeting.]