

**TOWN OF JACKSON
PLANNING BOARD MEETING
APRIL 6, 2021**

The Town of Jackson Planning Board met on April 6, 2021 at 6 pm at the Town of Jackson town Hall. The following people were in attendance-

Board Members:

- Amy Maxwell
- Mark Mahoney
- Irene Headwell
- Nick Rowland (GoTo)
- Steven Chuhta
- Kelly Donahue
- John Tully

Others Present:

- Town Clerk, Tammy Skellie-Gilbert
- Steve LeFevre
- Steve Long
- Theresa Bakner

Minutes

A motion was made by John Tully and seconded by Irene Headwell to approve the March 2, 2021 minutes as written. Amy Maxwell moved to amend the minutes to change the public hearing closing date from "March 12, 2021" to "the next planning board meeting." A motion was made by Steve Chuhta, seconded by Kelly Donahue to approve the March 2, 2021 meeting minutes as amended. Motion carried in favor 7-0.

Borrego Public Hearing

Chair Maxwell shared a statement that she had prepared for the closing of the public hearing.

"We take all public comments and concerns about the solar project seriously and addressed them during the process of the open public hearing and our regular planning board meetings. Tonight, I would like to assure everyone that the planning board is following open meeting law and that we are following Governor's orders. We are offering the option of joining virtually on GoToMeeting for anyone who chooses it. We have also shared all concerns with our third-party consultant, that is paid

for by the applicant, to review all concerns that have been brought forward, including toxic chemicals in solar panels and environmental concerns with runoff impact on local water bodies.”

A motion to close the public hearing was made by Mahoney and seconded by Headwell. Motion carried 7-0. The public hearing closed at 6:15 pm.

A town resident entered the meeting at 6:35 and was informed the public hearing had closed at 6:15 and the resident left the meeting.

PAULINE LAPOINT/BORREGO SOLAR

The planning board began with a discussion about part III narrative of the SEQR. The document was reviewed and minor changes to some wording and grammar were made. The updated document is on file. Chuhta questioned about the tree screening for the adjacent neighbor. Chair Maxwell stated that the property owners have received an email with the drawings for the planned screening. Skellie-Gilbert, town clerk, spoke with the resident and said they are alright with the proposed screening.

The planning board reviewed and discussed changes to be made to the Resolution Approving Site Plan for Borrego Solar Project. The hired attorney will make all the discussed changes and the updated document will be on file.

It was discussed that once the planning board approves and signs the resolution it will be presented to the Town Board. The town board will review and sign the decommissioning agreement, after which it will go back to the planning board to sign the site plan for finalization.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 4, 2021 @ 6 pm

Adjourned: @ 8:19 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Ruggles

Town of Jackson, Planning Board Clerk