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**Planning Board Minutes
Monday, July 19, 2021**

Approved: August 2, 2021

Chair Joe VLcek at 7:30pm, called the meeting to order.

Members present: George Basbanes, Joan Simmons, Jeff Pallis and Jim Wilkie

Approval of Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2021

George made a motion to approve, as submitted, the minutes from the May 17, 2021 meeting. Joan 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Bills/Payroll

The Chair signed the invoice for R&R Trophy (\$25.00) and payroll.

Discussion on Borrego Solar Drainage on Groton Street Julian Property

RJ and Rob Julian attended the meeting. RJ explained that he has had an excessive amount of water flowing from the solar project onto his property since December 2020. It has been seven months since he notified Borrego Solar of the problem. Although Borrego has been working on the issue, they have not succeeded in finding a permanent solution. Unfortunately, RJ has had to hire an engineer and attorney. Last week, he contacted the Town Administrator, Conservation Commission, Planning Board and Building Inspector to express frustration, and to advise them of his flooding problem. All have indicated they would like to see Borrego work quickly to eliminate the drainage from flowing onto the Julian property. Last week, RJ and his engineer met with members of Borrego by Zoom. They promised a solution in the next week. In addition to losing some of his property to flooding and concern about how the excessive amount of water could affect the stability of their pool, RJ would like to see the trenches fenced in. Joe agreed that the embankment of the trenches are steep and when full of water; there is a concern for public safety.

Discussion on Changing Meeting Time

The Administrative Assistant requested that the Board meet earlier. After the discussion, they decided that they would change their meeting time from 7:30pm to 6:30pm.

Discussion on Adoption of Remove Participation Policy

Members decided not to adopt the policy at this time.

Discussion on Signs/Bylaws/Regulations

Joan asked that the Board review the Sign bylaw to address all the temporary signs popping up. The Administrative Assistant will discuss this with the Town Administrator. Additional changes the Zoning Bylaw may need to be made before next Annual Town Meeting.



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Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting

Town Engineer

The Board of Selectmen did not reappoint Mr. Unger as Town Engineer for FY 2022. An advertisement only brought forth one candidate who was actually looking for a full time position.

George made a motion to close the meeting at 8:45pm. Jeff 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously. The next scheduled meeting will be on Monday, August 2, 2021 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann
Administrative Assistant
Dunstable Planning Board