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**Planning Board Minutes  
Monday, August 2, 2021**

Approved: August 16, 2021

Chair Joe VLcek at 6:30pm, called the meeting to order.

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

**Approval of Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2021**

Jeff made a motion to approve, as submitted, the minutes from the July 19, 2021 meeting. George 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

**Bills/Payroll**

The Chair signed payroll.

**Sign Rte. 113 Project Plans – Highway Department**

The Administrative Assistant presented the Mylar and two paper copies of the final proposed Rte. 113 project for the Board to sign.

**Update on Borrego Solar Drainage on Groton Street – Julian Property**

The Administrative Assistant emailed Will Peregoy (Borrego Solar) and Mr. Julian for an update on the flooding problem. Mr. Peregoy responded on July 27 saying, "*We are still working towards a final solution. We have shared a preliminary design with Mr. Julian and his engineer and continue to work to finalize the plan. We had our surveyor on site yesterday and today to give us more detailed topo information in the drainage area, and are lining up a licensed soil evaluator to be onsite early next week to conduct some test pits around the area in question on our property. Once we have finalized our design and agree on a solution with Mr. Julian and his engineer we will update the planning board with the revised design.*" The Board will check in with Mr. Peregoy and Mr. Julian in a couple of weeks.

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

**Sign Bylaw**

Joe brought up the "Sign Bylaw" which was discussed at the last meeting. Joan did some research and found an article from the ACLU (<https://www.aclum.org/en/know-your-rights/know-your-rights-political-signs-private-property>) that said "*Massachusetts residents have the right to display signs in their yards or on their other personal property so long as the signs meet reasonable requirements adopted by local government that relate to public safety.*" The concern the Board has is with signs in the town's "right of way". These signs may be obstructive to traffic. Joe discussed the sign ordinance in Hollis NH. Members will review the document and discuss at an upcoming meeting.



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**Town Engineer**

The Town Administrator and Planning Board are continuing their search for a part-time Town Engineer.

George made a motion to close the meeting at 7:09pm. Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously. The next scheduled meeting will be on Monday, August 16, 2021 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann  
Administrative Assistant  
Dunstable Planning Board