

TOWN OF BATAVIA PLANNING BOARD
REGULAR MEEETING, April 20, 2021, 7:43 P.M.
VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING
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By phone 1-646-558-8656 US (New York)

Because of the Novel Corona Virus Pandemic and state and federal bans on large meetings or gatherings and pursuant to Governor Cuomo's Executive order 202.1 issued March 12, 2020 suspending the Open Meeting Law, the Town of Batavia Planning Board meetings was held electronically via ZOOM video conference/call conference instead of a public meeting open for the public to attend in person. Minutes of the meeting will be posted on the Town of Batavia Website.

PRESENT: Chairman Kathy Jasinski, Paul Marchese, Paul McCullough, Don Partridge, Jonathan Long, and Brooks Hawley.

ALSO ATTENDING: Bridget Cuddihy, Jim Taravella of LaBella, Kaelyn Roche, Steve Mountain Town Engineer, Dan Lang Building Inspector, Sharon White Town Board Member, Mike Pettinella of The Batavian, Alecia Kaus of Video News Service, and Secretary Kim McCullough.

ABSENT: Lou Paganello, Jeremy Liles and Steve Tanner.

Alternate Member(s): Brooks Hawley will be voting.

March 16, 2021 REGULAR PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES.

Per Secretary Kim McCullough in a phone conversation with Dan Lang, Dan stated we need to remove out the word "condition" from **TROUSDALE #1 and #2 SOLAR PROJECTS, 5117 Ellicott St. Rd., Batavia, NY – SEQR Review. Dan had a conversation with Bridget Cuddihy of Cypress Creek and she stated we cannot have a Conditional Negative Declaration**

Paul Marchese made a motion to approve the removing of "conditional" from the SEQR.

Seconded by Brooks Hawley.

Vote unanimous for approval.

Don Partridge abstained.

Paul McCullough made a motion to approve the regular Planning Board Meeting Minutes.

Seconded by Jonathan Long.

Vote unanimous for approval.

Don Partridge abstained.

April 6, 2021 REGULAR PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES.

Jonathan Long made a motion to approve the regular Planning Board Meeting Minutes.

Seconded by Paul Marchese.

No Additions or corrections.

Vote unanimous for approval.

Batavia Solar LLC – The Gen Gateway – R. Stephen Hawley Drive – Batavia NY – for a Special Use Permit to install a 1.65 MWAC ground mounted community solar system – Declare Lead Agency.

Brooks Hawley made a motion to declare lead agency.

Seconded by Don Partridge.

No Additions or corrections.

Vote unanimous for approval.

Batavia Solar LLC – The Gen Gateway – R. Stephen Hawley Drive – Batavia NY – SEQR Review.

Jonathan Long lead the Planning Board through the SEQR Part 2.

Jonathan Long made a motion to approve a Conditional Negative Declaration.

Seconded by Paul McCullough.

Vote unanimous for approval.

Batavia Solar LLC – The Gen Gateway – R. Stephen Hawley Drive – Batavia NY – Site Plan Review.

Per Jim Taravella of LaBella – Screening for the Woods Family – have not finalized the site plan yet. They have only submitted the sketch plan, and will submit a more detailed site plan for your approval with the necessary screening along Hawley Drive and the Woods
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residence. Need visualization of property – line of site – in 5-year and 10-year increments and limiting the number of electrical poles and ground mount if possible.

Don Partridge made a motion to table the Site Plan Review.

Seconded by Paul Marchese.

Vote unanimous for approval.

COR – 4222 Veterans Memorial Drive – Batavia NY – Chipotle Restaurant Drive Thru – Set Public Hearing for May 4, 2021.

Jonathan Long made a motion to set the Public Hearing for May 4, 2021.

Seconded by Paul McCullough.

Vote unanimous for approval.

Zoning Enforcement Officer Report.

Dan Lang – addressed Area 51 from last meeting and tonight from Don – talked to the attorney and Supervisor Post about having a Public Hearing on that – recommendation was made to have an open period of comment at the beginning of each meeting. Recommend to add onto the agenda for open comment. If doing a Public Hearing you are singling out and not advised by the attorney. Limit it to 5 minutes at the beginning of the meeting. Kathy will add to the next meeting agenda.

Rochester Regional – Variance needed – parking spaces – 9x18 – Dan will bring to Planning Board as an addendum to the site plan.

New person – Troy Williams took over for Bruce.

Jerry Arena – what is going on there – clearing the land and lease sign with a park and sell – Dan will check into it as Jerry called him.

Freightliner – how many signs – contacted us did receive variances – took down a lot of trees down and need to plant trees due to the buffer.

Solar farms have a lot of dead trees that need to be replaces.

Steve Mountain – Bright Oaks Solar – site work has started.

BJ Plaza – entrance roadway – Town is taking dedication to the roadway.

Chairman Report.

Invited to the new fire hall on the 28th at 6:30 pm.

Next Meeting May 4, 2021.

Solar Committee – Paul McCullough – stated they are making head way on their concepts are and what they would like to see. Dan and Chad have been tasked with coming up with consultants. Went through Elba's policy – review gave us some framework and topics to go on.

Sharon stated she had nothing to add.

Brooks Hawley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 pm.

Seconded by Paul Marchese.

Vote unanimous for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim McCullough
Secretary

Kathleen Jasinski
Chairman