**Town of Madrid**

**Planning Board Minutes**

**Public Hearing on Acer Solar Project**

**March 10, 2022**

Time: 6:00

Location: Madrid Town Offices

Attendees: Joe Finnegan Chr., Allen Kelly Sec., Wayne Day, Bruce Durant, Tony Cooper Sup.

Absent: Bill Hull (excused)

Others:

 Thomas and Sheila Smith owners of the subject Property

 Jim Geddis of Acer Solar with Douglas Warden Esq. of Snyder and Snyder, LLP.

 David Fisher of Madrid Town Board.

 Jim and Catherine Boula.

At 6:00 a Motion to open the was made and Jim Geddis was given the floor. He came prepared with

Materials to exhibit and discuss. This was done toclarify some open issues and answer questions about the progress of things needing to be finalized to help the project proceed.

The project is located on the e Cogswell Corners Road and on the Chipman Corners Road as well. The lot is over 100 acres in its entirety. About 35 acres will be used for the Solar Project and the remainder will be used for maple syrup production and for a beekeeping operation. A decommissioning plan has been bonded for the project in the future. This will ensure the land can be restored to agricultural purposes.

The project will be encircled by 6’ high chain link fence with an additional 1 foot tall barrier of barbed wire. There will also be vegetative screening on the outside of that to v=create a visual barrier from the road for traffic and for neighbors.

Nobody from the public appeared beyond those already mentioned previously in this writing.No concerns were voiced and no objections were made to the construction or the pursuit of this project.

At 6:45 Bruce Durant made a motion to close the Public Hearing and Allen Kelly seconded the motion.

The board voted to conclude the hearing and Adjourn to then begin the Scheduled Planning meeting for the month of March 2022.

Hearing closed: 6:45.