

Zoning Board of Adjustment Minutes  
June 22, 2021

The June 22, 2021 Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Cascade City Hall by City Administrator McCusker. Board members present were Linda Hoffmann, Merlin McDermott, Suzanne Otting and Ross Orr. Dave Curry's term was up and he did not want to take another term. The City Administrator gave a huge thank you out to Dave Curry for his long tenure of service and dedication.

The Board needed to appoint a new Chairman. Motion by Otting, second by McDermott to appoint Linda Hoffmann as the new Chairman – all ayes.

Motion by McDermott, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Otting to approve the agenda as presented – all ayes.

Motion by McDermott, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Orr to approve the minutes from the August 18, 2020 meeting – all ayes.

It was time for the public hearing on the request from Clay Gavin for a special exception permit for a solar energy system attached to his garage roof. Motion by Otting, second by McDermott to open the public hearing at 6:02pm – all ayes. Clay Gavin, 616 1<sup>st</sup> Ave W addressed the Board. He is having a 5.94 kW solar collection system installed. There will be a collector on the south side of the garage. It will have little to no affect on the neighborhood. The wires will be mostly out of view in the back, but there will be an interconnect box on the north side by the meters. The solar system should cover their electric needs in the summer, but it doesn't work unless the sun is out. Also, the system does take some electricity to work. No one else from the public addressed the board. Motion by Orr, second by McDermott to close the public hearing at 6:12pm – all ayes.

The Board discussed and all felt it was fine. Board member Otting had some questions concerning reflectivity and any radio frequency disruptions. Mr. Gavin said none of this will happen. Motion by McDermott, second by Otting to approve the special exception permit for the solar energy system for Clay Gavin – all ayes.

Motion by Orr, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Otting to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 p.m. – all ayes.