

Chatham County Appearance Commission
April 25, 2018
Meeting Minutes — S. Jacobs, Secretary

In attendance for the meeting were:

William “Bill” Causey, Chair
Shelly Jacobs
Davis Andrews
Grimsley Hobbs

Absent were Dan Sunberg and Mary DeAngelo

Minutes of previous meeting were unanimously approved by members present.

1st presentation:

Karen Kamerait presented on behalf of Strata Solar for a new solar electric plant at 2301 Corinth Rd Moncure, NC 27559

It was clarified with the presenter that a Type B buffer would be used rather than the required Type A according to current guidelines. Ms. Kamerait assured commission members that this was intended and would be carried out as depicted on the plans.

The plans presented were all accepted and unanimously agreed upon by all members of the commission.

2nd presentation:

David Swanson, landscape architect, presenting for Chatham Grove Elementary School.

Th plans presented were a resubmission with changes made after bid estimates were received. The bulk of the changes were to the plans for the existing buffer along Andrews Store Road. Prior plans called for additional plantings. The new plans eliminated the additional plantings. These additional planting were determined to be unnecessary due to the density of existing vegetation. Commission members questioned the accuracy of this density assessment yet agreed to the modified plan with the stipulation that if the screening along Andrews Store Road after construction was deemed inadequate they could require future planting.

The only other major concern were the sloping hillsides that would be created when the land was graded. Mr. Swanson pointed out the plans called for native herbaceous species to be planted. That satisfied the commission members and the plans were approved unanimously.