

MINUTES OF THE SANILAC TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
September 7, 2017

Meeting called to order by Acting Chair Dear at 7:38 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Dear, Falls, Haman, Kelly, Milarch, Walker (7:43 p.m.)

Member absent: Lyall

Additions to agenda: None

Public Comment: Comment regarding solar ordinance.

Minutes of the July 2017 Meeting: Change to draft minutes regarding WECF. Minutes to read "4 x total height or 1,320 feet whichever is greater". Motion by Walker, Second by Falls to accept with change. Passed.

Zoning Administrator's Report: No report.

Solar Ordinance: Discussion regarding draft solar ordinance, with questions related to where such facilities would be allowed in the Township, whether or not a special use is required, whether or not decommissioning bond is required, whether or not 15' height restriction is appropriate, whether or not 20 acres minimum should be required, etc. Noelke comment via email regarding desire to have a liberal ordinance. Kelly to contact Foster Swift to resolve several legal questions regarding draft ordinance. Group to review Marlette ordinance and continue work on solar ordinance at next meeting.

Wind Energy Ordinance: Motion to table discussion by Walker, Second by Haman. Passed.

MTA Update: Dear led discussion on information provided at MTA Conference on current issues including marijuana facilities and rental properties. Recommendation to opt in or out of allowing marijuana facility in the Township is a Township Board decision. No recommendation to be made by Planning Commission.

Motion by Milarch, Second by Walker to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Passed

Next Meeting: October 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Please email agenda items to barbhaman@gmail.com no later than Monday, September 18, 2017.