

MINUTES OF THE SANILAC TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
October 1, 2019

Meeting called to order by Chair Falls at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests in attendance: 2 including Deputy Supervisor Noelke

Members present: Dear, Falls, Haman, Milarch, Schlichting

Member absent: None

Additions to agenda: None

Public Comment:

R. Milarch – Regarding September meeting comment about additional public comment and comments about liking Sanilac Township “the way it is.” The township needs logical and orderly development to grow and develop its tax base.

Minutes of the September 2019 Meeting: Motion to approve by Haman, Second by Milarch, with the following changes (noted in **bold type**): Under Solar: Discussed draft Solar Ordinance, Section (f) (5) should read:

The trees or **bushes** may be **trimmed**

If lighting is **desired**

Motion passed.

Zoning Administrator’s Report: None.

Solar:

Discussed draft Solar Ordinance (newly revised with changes adopted by PC at September meeting).

Motion by Milarch, Second by Dear to adopt the following change (noted in **bold type**):

Section B (ii) Lakefront Residential-from the center line of a right of way of an abutting street shall be 108 feet on unpaved roads and 150 feet from State Highways **and 3’ from the side property line.**

Motion passed.

Motion by Dear, Second by Haman to adopt the following change (noted in **bold type**):

Section (f) (5) Visibility, first paragraph under this section to be stricken in its entirety and replaced with: **(f) (5) Screening: When a Utility Scale Solar Energy System is adjacent to a residentially zoned or used lot, side and rear yard screening may be required as determined by the Planning Commission to address specific site needs at the time of the site plan review.** Second paragraph regarding lighting to remain as is.

Motion passed.

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Haman to incorporate adopted changes into revised Solar document.

Planning Commission Open Seats:

Haman reported that Supervisor Kelly indicated he was working on issue of additional members.

Planning Commission Meeting Calendar:

Dear reported that per bylaws PC could hold fewer than 12 meetings. Motion by Haman,  
Second by Milarch to table PC Meeting Calendar discussion.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

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