

**MILAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES
for
August 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum: All Planning Commission members were present except Pat Porter

Approval of past meeting minutes: The July 8, 2020 was approved as presented.

Correspondence: None

Report from Township Board member: There were no significant comments from Bob Dopkowski.

Public Comment: None

Business

- **Review and Discussion of the Solar Energy Farm draft Ordinance. Chairman Schauer read the draft ordinance. There were a few minor changes, which were adopted by general agreement. There were numerous questions from the public, which were received, discussed and apparently answered to everyone's satisfaction.**
- **Chairman Schauer made a motion to recommend this ordinance to the Township Board for their approval. Bob Dopkowski seconded. Rebecca DeVooght expressed concerns that not enough has been done to ensure that the entire township is aware of our intention to create this ordinance. Various options were discussed. Rebecca made a motion to amend the original motion to include a suggestion that the township Board strive to insure that all township residents are made aware of this ordinance. Matt Walline seconded the motion. There were 4 yes and 0 no to amend the original motion.**
 - **Chairman Schauer presented the revised motion: The Milan Twp Planning Commission recommends that the Milan Twp Board adopt ordinance 13.27 Large Solar Energy Systems and related ordinance changes into The Milan Township Zoning Ordinance 2008-001. It is also recommended that the Twp Board strive to insure that all township residents are made aware of this ordinance.**
 - **The motion passed with 4 yes and 0 no votes.**

- **Chairman Schauer reviewed and discussed Article 6.02 Accessory Building size restrictions. After a lengthy discussion, there was general consensus that the accessory building size restrictions were too restrictive. There was general agreement that the maximum lot coverage restriction of 35% was sufficient to insure that properties would not be excessively built upon. Chairman Schauer made a motion to delete the accessory building size restrictions for all lot sizes and zoning districts. Bob Dopkowski seconded. Motion passed with 4 yes and 0 no votes.**

No additional public comment.

Adjournment at 9:05 pm

Next Meeting: September 1, 2020