

Waterloo Township Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call: T. Beals, R. Schumacher, L. Morency, B. Steere, W. Schulz, G. Siegrist all present. Absent: M. Zweifler.

Pledge of Allegiance

Acceptance of: April 16, 2019, Meeting Agenda. Moved by R. Schumacher, supported by W. Schulz to accept agenda with additions. **Motion carried.**

Public Comment: None

Acceptance of: March 19, 2019 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes. Moved by T. Beals, supported by W. Schulz to accept minutes as presented. **Motion carried.**

Communications Received: The Jackson County City and County Non-motorized Plan will hold a Townhall Public Meeting on 5/8/19 at the Township Building.

Public Hearing – Moved by R. Schumacher, supported by G. Siegrist to close regular meeting and open Public Hearing on Draft Amendments to the 2017 Waterloo Master Plan at 7:07 p.m. **Motion carried.** No Public Comment.

Public Hearing: Moved by R. Schumacher, supported by G. Siegrist to close first Public Hearing and open second Public Hearing on Draft Amendments to the Waterloo Township Zoning Ordinance at 7:09 p.m. **Motion carried.**

- M. Gibbons, 14162 Lilly Lane, Grass Lake asked if there are any bad chemicals from the solar farm operations. Told not aware of any hazardous materials from photovoltaic panels.
- Moved by W. Schulz, supported by B. Steere to close second Public Hearing and reopen regular meeting at 7:17 p.m. **Motion carried.**

Unfinished Business:

1. Commercial Solar Farms:
 - a. Moved by T. Beals, supported by B. Steere that the Planning Commission recommends that the Waterloo Township Board approves the Draft Amendments to the 2017 Master Plan (attached) **Motion carried.**
 - b. Moved by T. Beals, supported by G. Siegrist that the Planning Commission recommends that the Waterloo Township Board approves the Draft Amendments to the Waterloo Township Zoning Ordinance (attached) **Motion carried.**
2. Small Wireless Communication Systems - no action.
3. Zoning Ordinance:
 - a. No new items added to topic list
 - b. Several new items added to principle uses worksheet
 - c. Reviewed and discussed new items added to the principle use worksheet
4. Revisit Planning Commission Meeting Schedule: Moved by T. Beals, supported by W. Schulz to rescind the March 19, 2019 Planning Commission vote to move the monthly meeting time from the third Tuesday to the second Tuesday of the month. **Motion carried.**

New Business: None

Additional Items:

1. B. Pindzia may come to a future meeting to review parcel survey options.
2. Green Road – information was presented about the issues and status of extracting aggregate under the Green Road right of way.

Public Comments: None

Adjournment: Moved by R. Schumacher, supported by W. Schulz to adjourn at 9:00 pm. **Motion carried.**

Ralph Schumacher
Planning Commission Secretary
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