

SULLIVAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 11, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 5:38 P.M. by Vice Chairman John Carr.

ROLL CALL: Members Present: John Carr, Tom Jasick, Tom Anton, Butch Michelli, James Kotecki, and Heather Rios

Members Absent: Glenn Gustafson

Guests: 7

Approval of Minutes November 9, 2021

The meeting minutes were presented and read by Vice Chairman John Carr. It was moved by Tom Jasick to accept the meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Butch Michelli and approved by all Planning Commission (PC) members present.

AGENDA:

New Business:

- Board Election of Officers
- Storage and Shipping Containers
- Solar Energy Farms
- Planning Commission Terms
- Ordinance Definitions

Old Business:

- None

Board Election of Officers

Tom Jasick nominated Tom Anton to serve as Chairperson of Sullivan Township Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Butch Michelli and approved by all Planning Commission members present. Tom Jasick nominated John Carr as Vice Chairperson of Sullivan Township Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by James Kotecki and approved by all Planning Commission members present. Tom Jasick nominated Heather Rios as Secretary of Sullivan Township Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by James Kotecki and approved by all Planning Commission members Present.

Storage and Shipping Containers

Reviewed Kawkawlin Township, Blue Lake Township, Casnovia Township, Dalton Township, and Clinton Township zoning ordinances pertaining to storage and shipping containers. Agreed to table discussion for work session on February 8, 2022.

Solar Energy Farms

Tabled for work session on February 8, 2022.

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Planning Commission Terms

All Planning Commission members present reviewed terms. All terms appear accurate except for Butch Michelli and James Kotecki who were sworn in for another term.

Ordinance Definitions

Members Present discussed and agreed that storage units are classified the same as commercial storage warehouses.

Discussion

Chairman Tom Anton presented a schedule of dates for Sullivan Township Planning Commission to hold its regular 2022 meetings. Tom Jasick moved to approve the meeting dates presented. The motion was seconded by John Carr and approved by all Planning Commission members present.

It was decided by all Planning Commission members present to keep meeting time at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman Tom Anton spoke with Julie about reports being sent to the Planning Commission. A meeting was proposed to clarify more direction as to what is expected in a report.

Open Discussion

A guest discussed the possibility of a secondary structure larger than our current ordinance dictates. He previously submitted a 60X80 which was denied. He is wanting to split the difference and is submitting a 3800 square foot request. The discussion was tabled for the February or March meeting.

Guests were asking for recommendations as to how to proceed to build their new home. They believe the property is zoned as RA but want it to be RR. They are also 16 feet shy of the mandatory road frontage needed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tom Jasick at 8:41 p.m., seconded by Butch Michelli and approved by all members present.

Respectfully Submitted,
Heather Rios
1/15/2022